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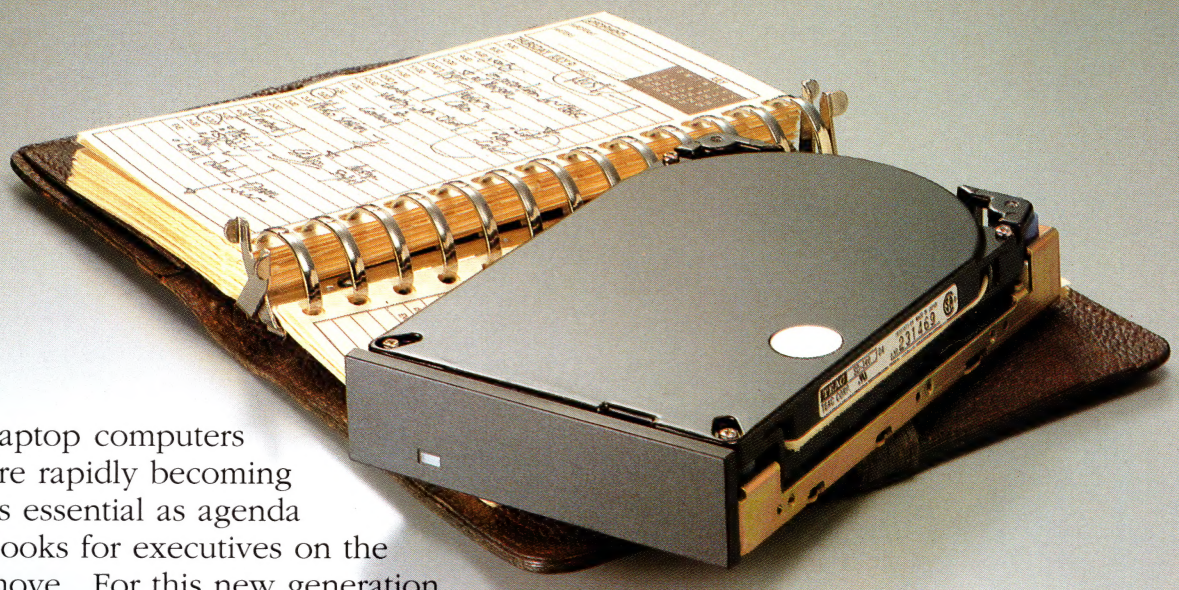

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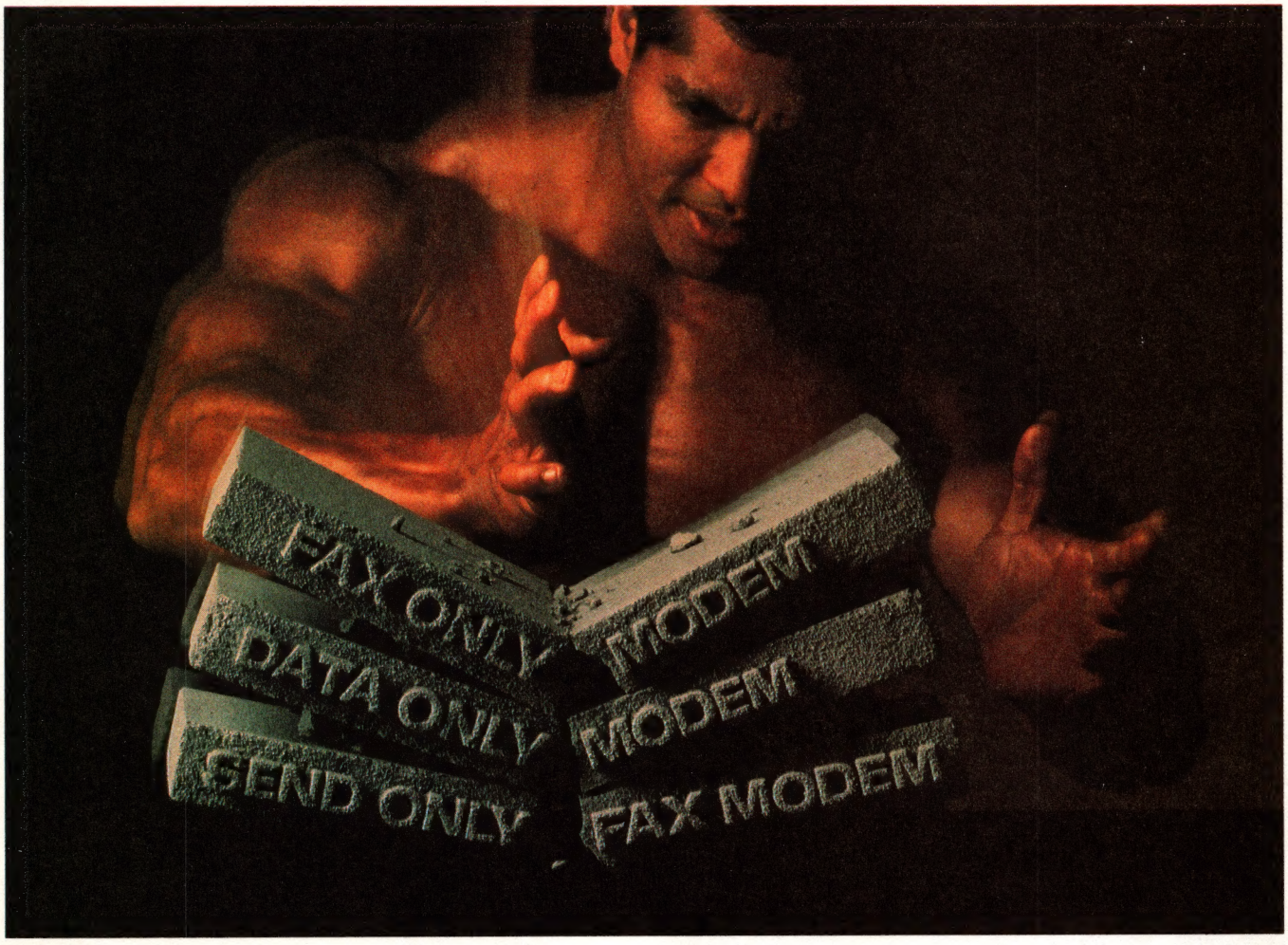

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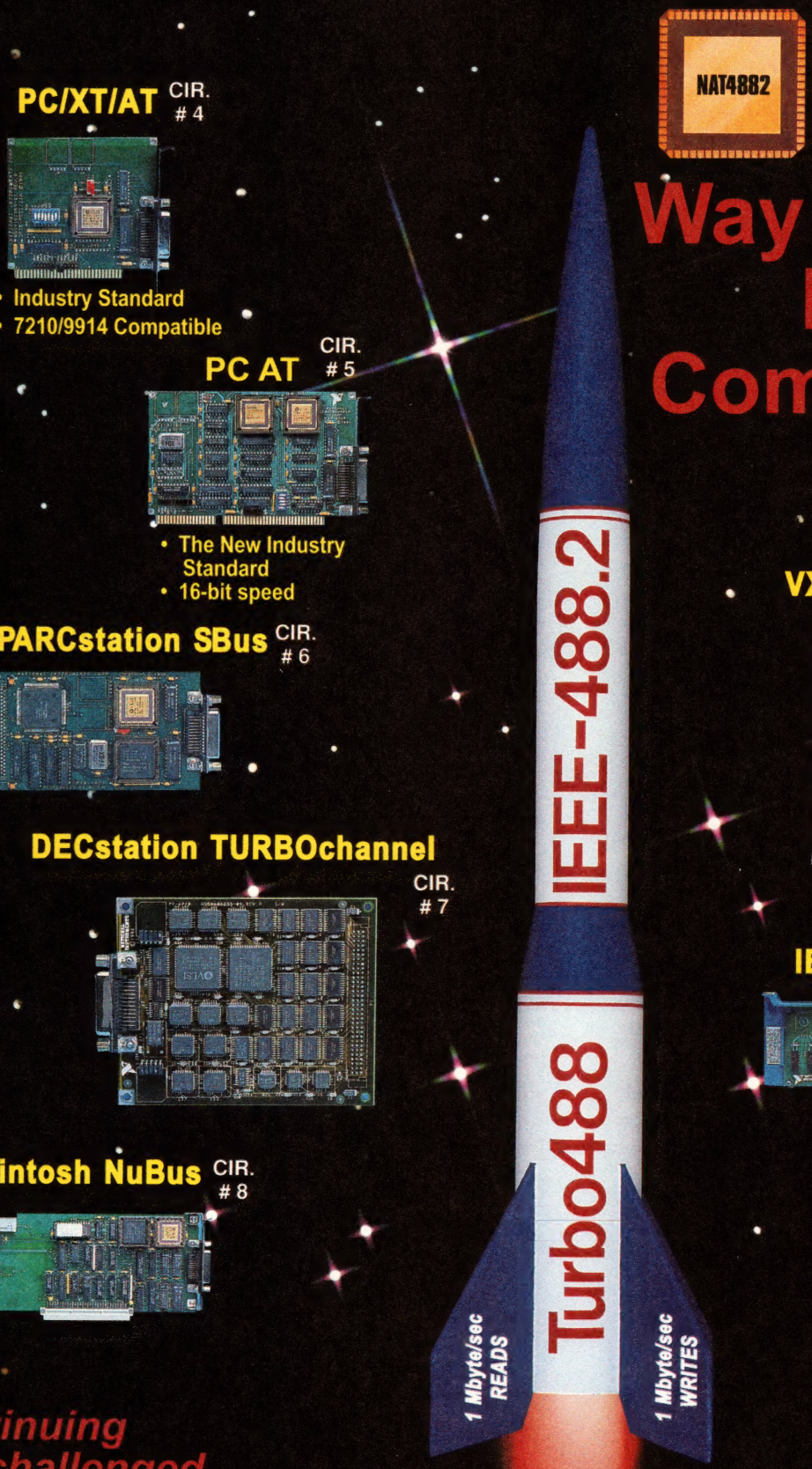

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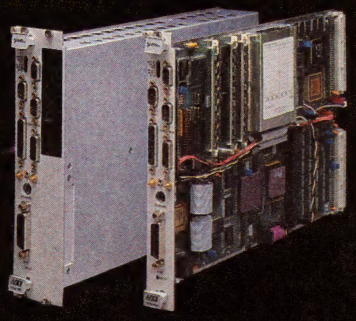

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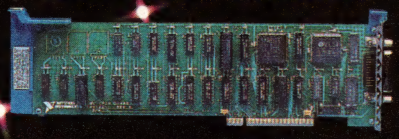

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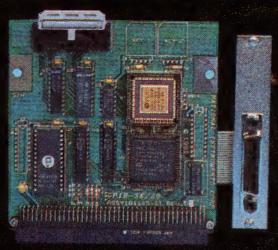

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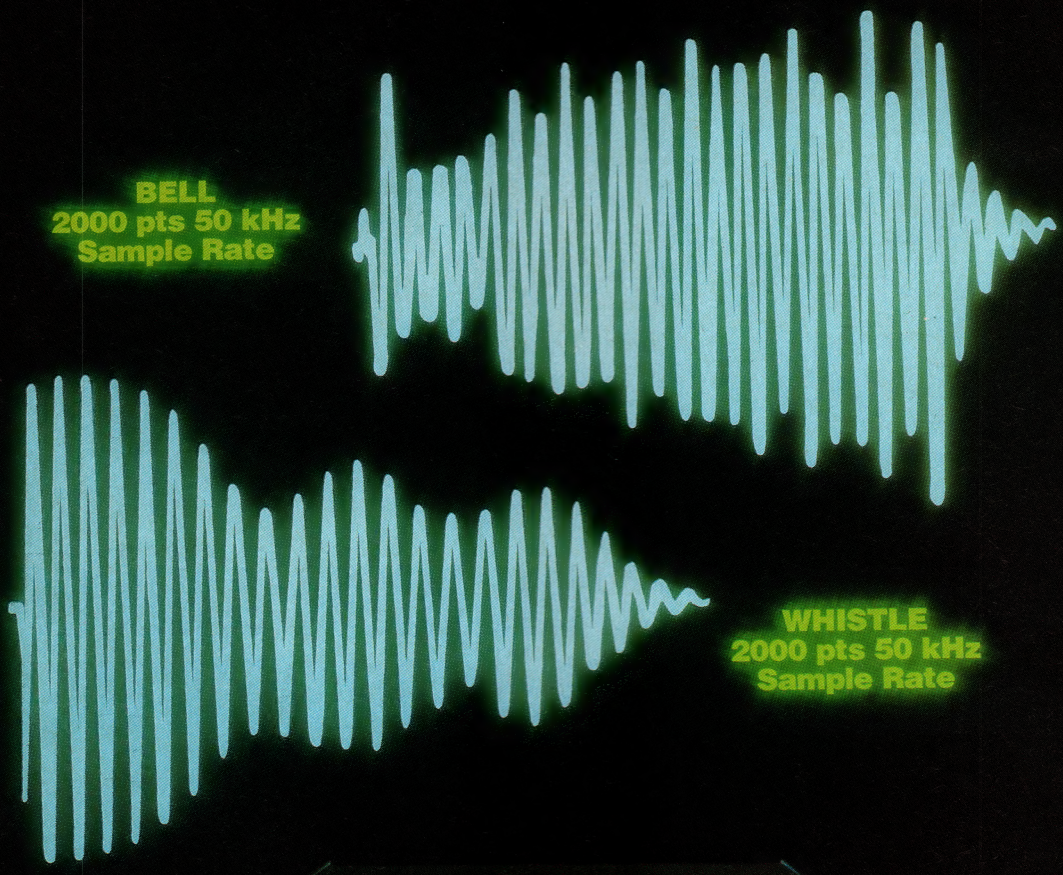

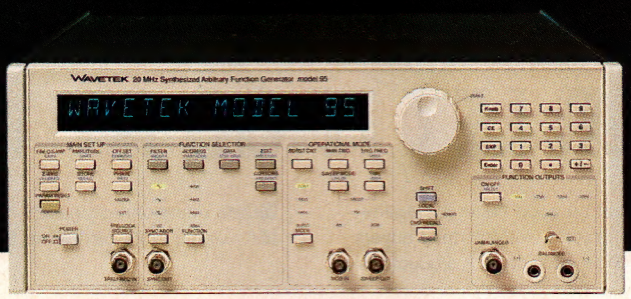

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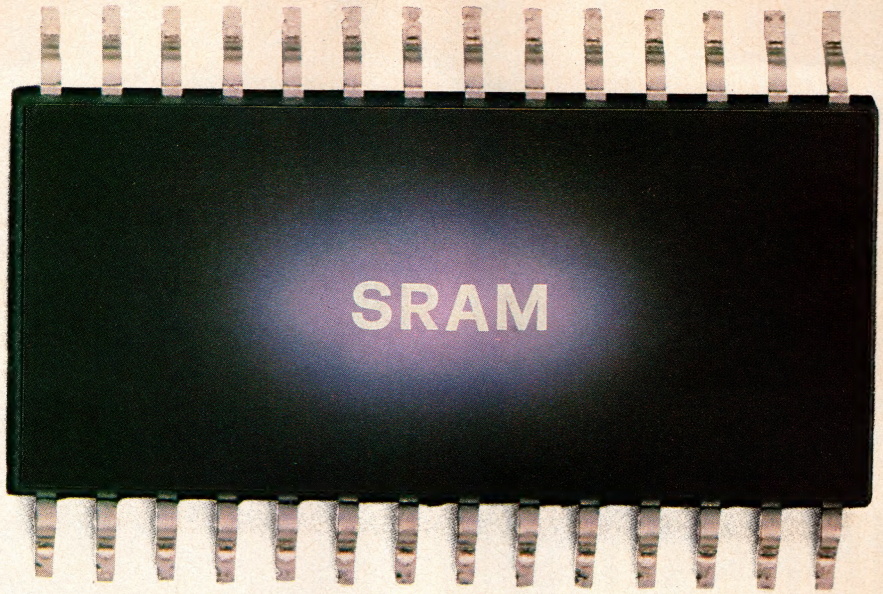

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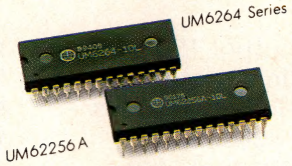

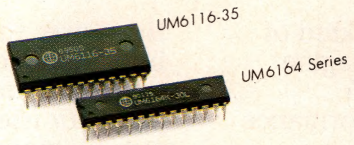

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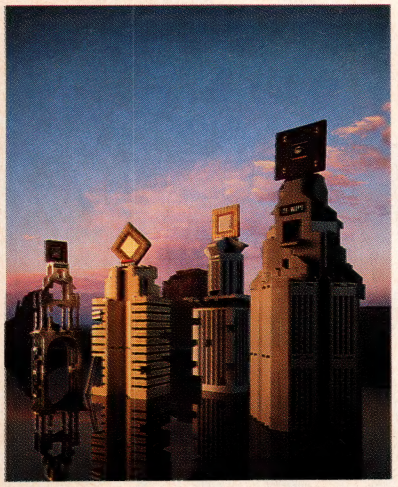

On the cover: *Before you use vendors' benchmarks for product comparisons, make sure you know what's supporting those benchmarks. See the Special Report on pg 90. (Photo courtesy Cypress Semiconductor; design and photography by Paul Ambrose)*

SPECIAL REPORT

Benchmarks don't have to be confusing and deceptive. Application code that bears a resemblance to your software, consistently applied across a range of similarly configured microprocessor-based systems, can be useful in selecting your hardware.—*Michael C Markowitz, Associate Editor*

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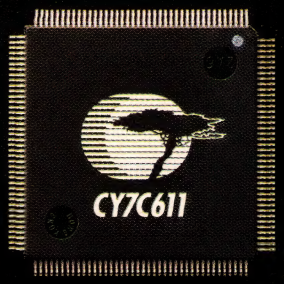

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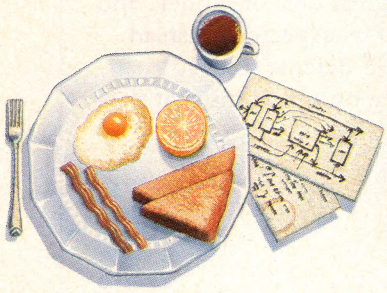

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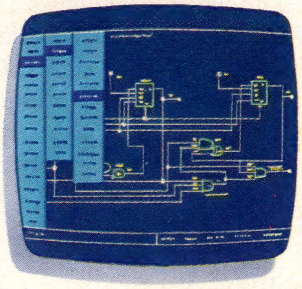
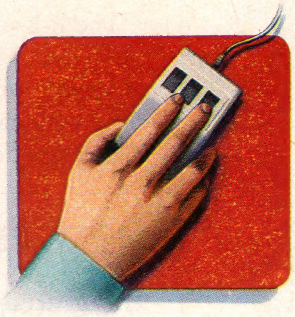


8:50 am: Design
You warm up the design program on your 386 and put in the final touches. Then a quick rule check and 25 MHz system simulation with the Action Logic System software.



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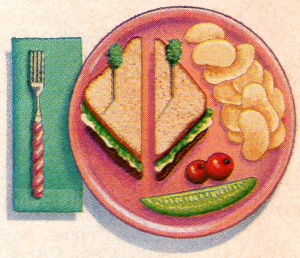

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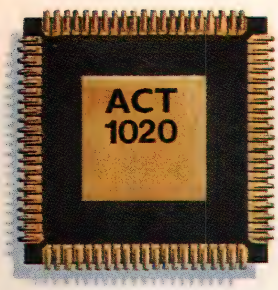

1:15 pm: Program
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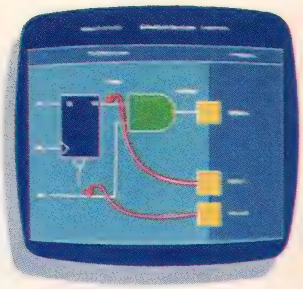

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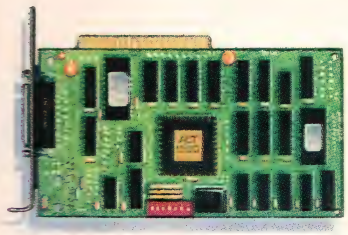

4:00 pm: Production
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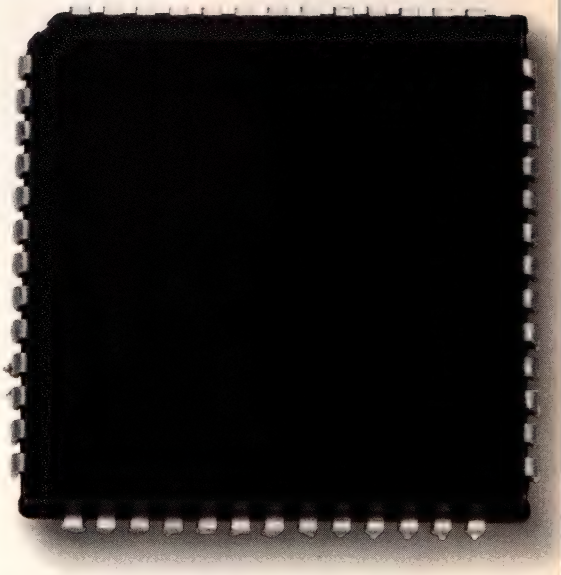

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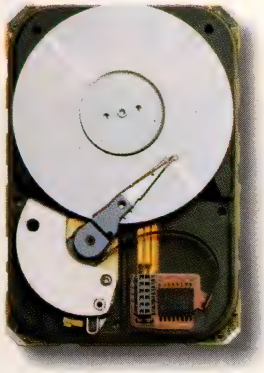

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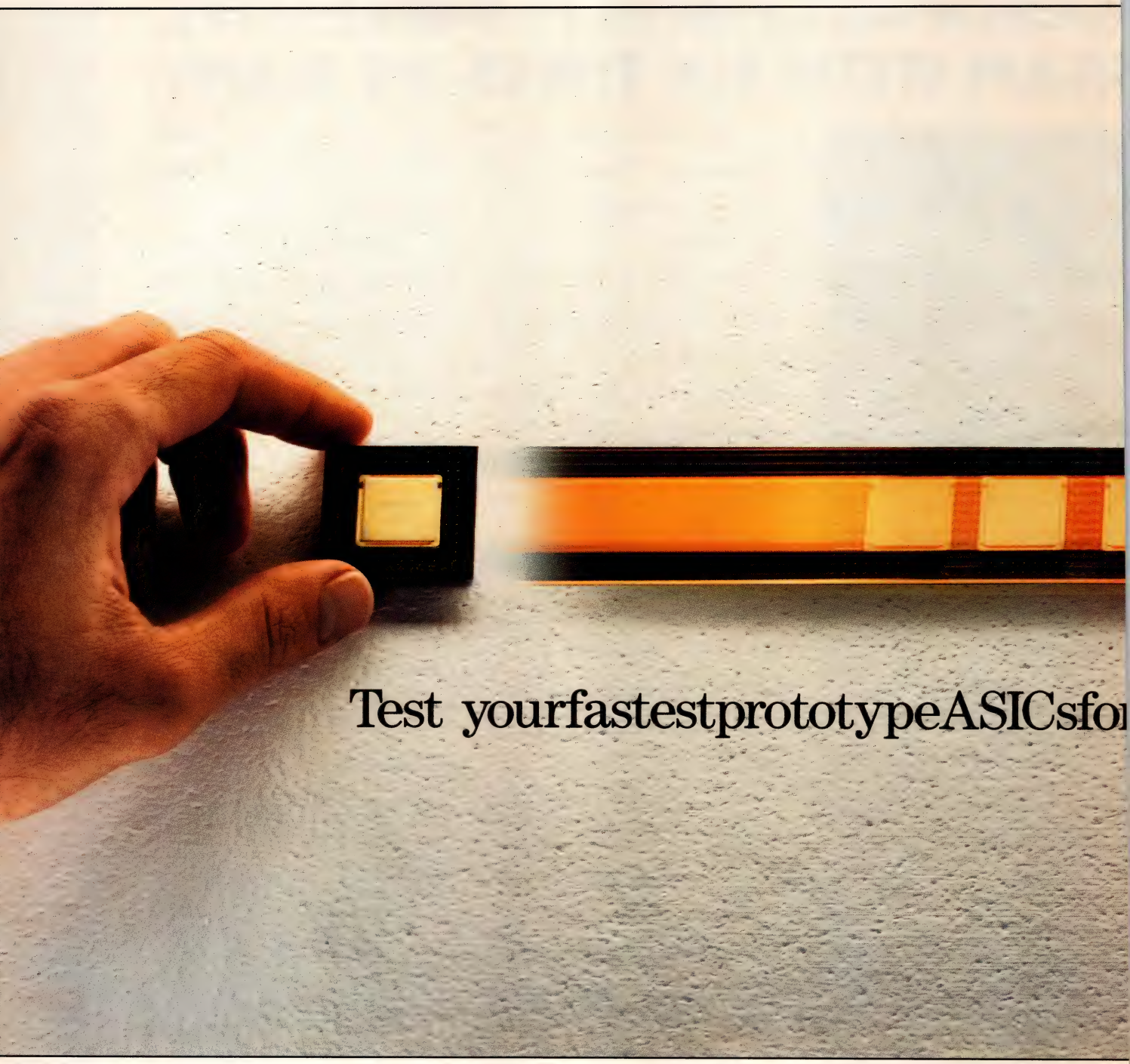

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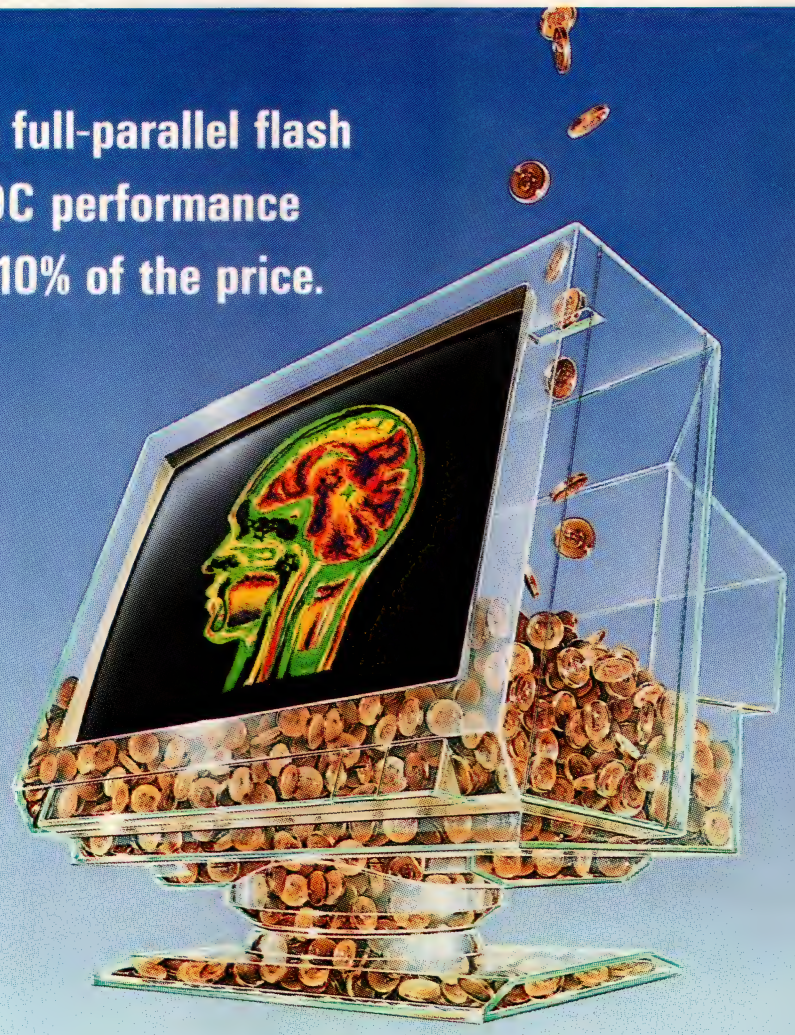

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RUGGEDIZED PCs FOR HARSH ENVIRONMENTS

The MDC family of ruggedized IBM PC-compatible computers from Mobiledata Communications Corp (Phoenix, AZ, (602) 678-3788) are designed for applications in harsh environments such as factories, remote locations, and inside vehicles. Three modular components—display, keyboard, and processor/storage-unit modules—make up the MDC family system. You can locate the keyboard and display modules as far as 15 ft from the processor/storage modules. The systems can operate in temperatures ranging from −40 to +85°C. The company has 8088- and 80386-based models with a choice of monochrome or color flat-panel displays. The company conformal-coats the pc boards used in the MDC systems to increase resistance to humidity and liquid spills. Prices range from $7425 for an 8088 unit to $10,500 for monochrome 80386 systems.—Maury Wright

SINGLE IC LETS YOU SCALE, ROTATE, AND ENHANCE IMAGES

The BT710 IC from Brooktree Corp (San Diego, CA, (619) 452-7580) sizes and rotates graphics for electronic imaging. The IC also lets you enhance the quality of black-and-white figures by converting them to 4-bit gray scale. The result of this gray scaling is an antialiased effect that increases the apparent resolution of the displayed image and makes it more readable. The IC can resize images to a minimum of 6% or a maximum of 7.5× the original size.

Two on-chip DMA channels let the unit operate autonomously by reading and writing to image buffers without CPU intervention. The unit also performs address translation for rotated images and provides bit-aligned block transfers to window or frame buffers. The $132 (100) Bt710 is a 5V, 50-MHz CMOS IC packaged as a 132-pin pin-grid array. A $995 evaluation kit, the Bt710EVK, includes documentation, demo software, and an IBM PC/AT plug-in board that contains a BT710 IC. You can also order developer kits for IBM PC ($1990), Macintosh ($2490), and Sun ($2990) systems that include Pixelvu software for CCITT compression and decompression, image scaling, rotation, mirroring, and Boolean bitblt operations.—J D Mosley

MIL-PRODUCT DATABASE INCLUDES EDIF CAE INFORMATION

Although several component database systems exist, none except the Component Information System (CIS) from Expert Views Inc (Waltham, MA, (617) 890-0333) lets you transfer component data on MIL-spec components to your CAE system. The database supplies graphical-symbol information and specifications to CAE systems in both ASCII and EDIF 2 0 0 formats. A symbol compiler lets a company convert graphics information so that it complies with company-wide graphics standards. The CIS database system supplies the parts, CAE data, and specifications. Cost is $50,000 for a 1-year license, which includes quarterly updates.

You will also need parts-access and access-control software packages to use the system. View Master, the parts-access software, lets users examine components and specifications. The control software, Component Manager, lets managers customize the database by eliminating some products, adding specifications for others, and adding special or customized components. The View Master and Component Manager each cost $40,000, which is a 1-time payment. The system operates on networks with computers that run either Unix or VMS operating systems.—Jon Titus

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ALTERNATE-SOURCE AGREEMENT ON FUTUREBUS+ SILICON

Philips Components-Signetics (Sunnyvale, CA, (408) 991-2000) and Texas Instruments (Dallas, TX, (800) 336-5236) have announced a joint development and alternate-source agreement for silicon support for the proposed Futurebus+ standard. Under the terms of the agreement, both companies will manufacture and market the Futurebus+ product family (designated FB2000 by Signetics and TFB2000 by TI), and both will use their own proprietary processes to manufacture the products. The 5-year, renewable second-source agreement is the third cooperative agreement between the companies in the past four years.—John A Gallant

ARCNET CHIP AND μC COMPOSE COMPLETE LAN NODE

Standard Microsystems Corp (Hauppauge, NY, (516) 273-3100) offers the COM20020 Arcnet IC that combines controller and transceiver functions in a single chip. The IC is for low-cost embedded applications such as process control, factory automation, medical equipment, and automobile LANs. Available in 24-pin DIPs and 28-pin plastic leaded-chip-carrier packages, the IC has a 2×8k-bits dual-port static-RAM buffer, a glue-free interface to most microcontrollers, and a variety of hardware diagnostics capabilities. The IC also has a command-chaining feature that speeds packet processing and enables it to support consecutive transmissions without host intervention. The $16.23 (1000) CMOS COM20020 operates from a single 5V supply and has an operating temperature range of −40 to +85°C.—Maury Wright

COMPARABLY PRICED DP8392-LIKE CHIP USES LESS POWER

Providing higher reliability because of its lower power consumption, the CS83C92C Ethernet/Cheapernet LAN transceiver from Crystal Semiconductor (Austin, TX, (512) 445-7222) is a comparably priced, plug-compatible version of National Semiconductor's DP8392 chip. Powered by a single −9V supply, the chip requires a maximum current of 130 mA for transmission and 80 mA in its quiescent state, figures that are 28 and 39% lower than National's specs of 180 and 130 mA, respectively. In addition, the chip will withstand more than 1000V of electrostatic discharge (ESD) on all pins and 3000V on most pins. National's published specs indicate ESD failure when exposed to less than 500V. The chip includes squelch circuits that reduce noise when transmitting and receiving signals. A jabber timer disables the transmitter when the chip encounters illegally long packets of data. Compliant with ISO/IEEE 8802/3 requirements, the CS83C92C sells for $18 (1000) and comes in 16-pin DIPs and 28-pin plastic leaded-chip-carrier packages.—J D Mosley

OPEN HARDWARE DESCRIPTION LANGUAGE COLLECTS SUPPORT

Cadence Advanced CAE Div's (San Jose, CA, (408) 727-0264) efforts to put the Verilog hardware description language into the public domain have begun to bear fruit. Both Zycad Inc (Menlo Park, CA, (415) 688-7400) and Ikos Systems (Sunnyvale, CA, (408) 245-1900) have translators that let you convert Verilog models, circuits, and stimuli into their own hardware-accelerated simulation formats. Verilog models are available from Sun Microsystems (Mountain View, CA, (415) 960-1300), which offers an Sbus model package, and from RISC International (San Jose, CA, (408) 428-1000), which offers a library of about 120 models. The CAD/CAM Group (Cupertino, CA, (408) 725-0204) generates Verilog models from its design-entry system, and Synopsys (Mountain View, CA, (415) 962-5000) and VLSI Technology (San Jose, CA, (408) 434-3000) use the models to drive their logic-synthesis tools.
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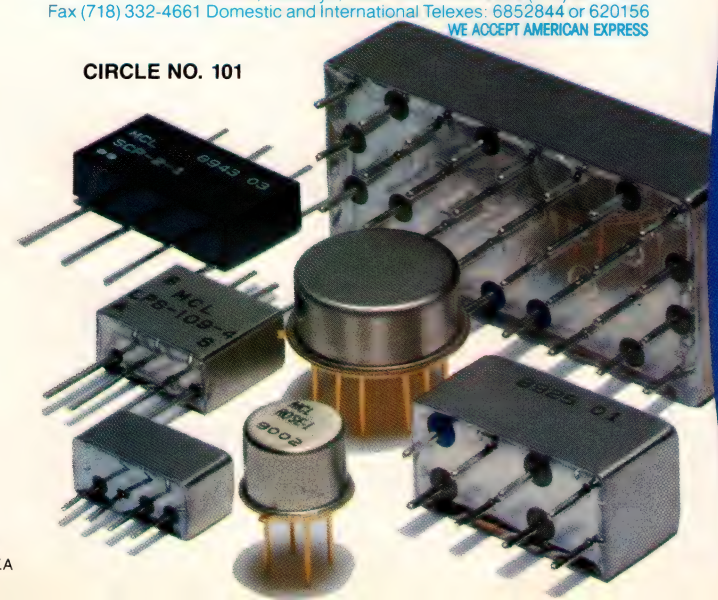

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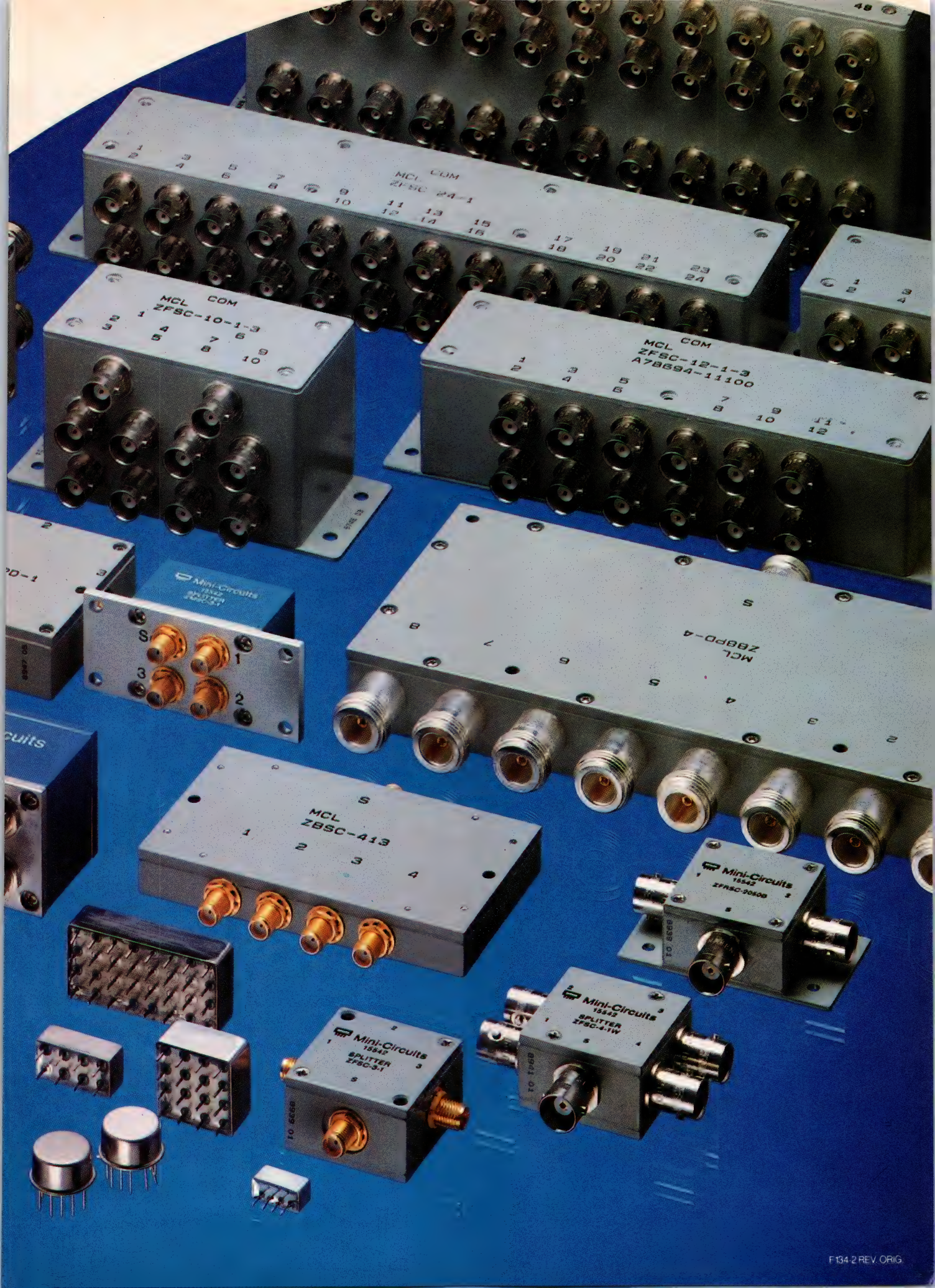
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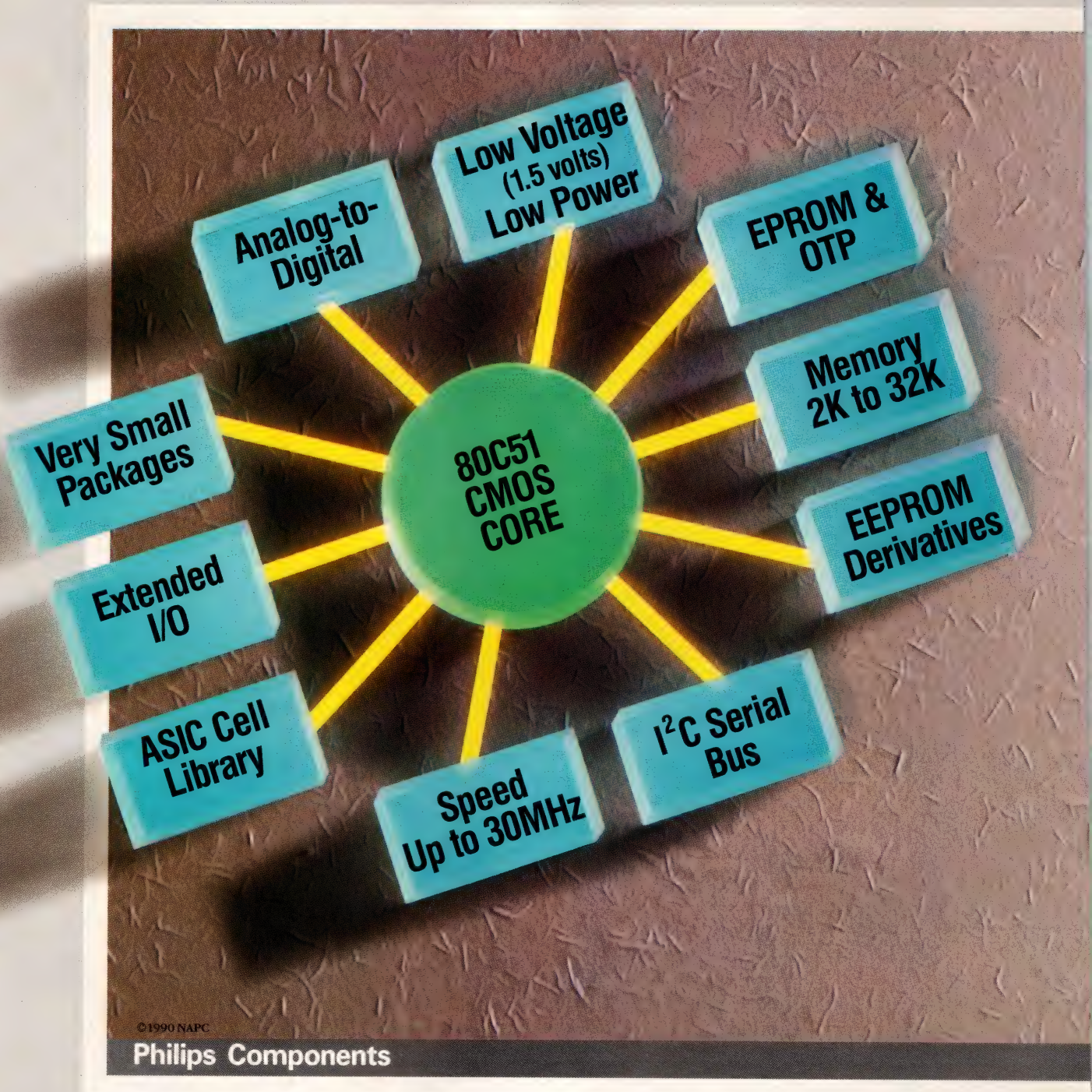

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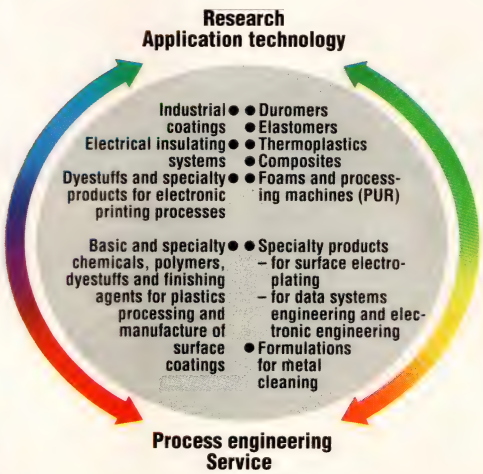

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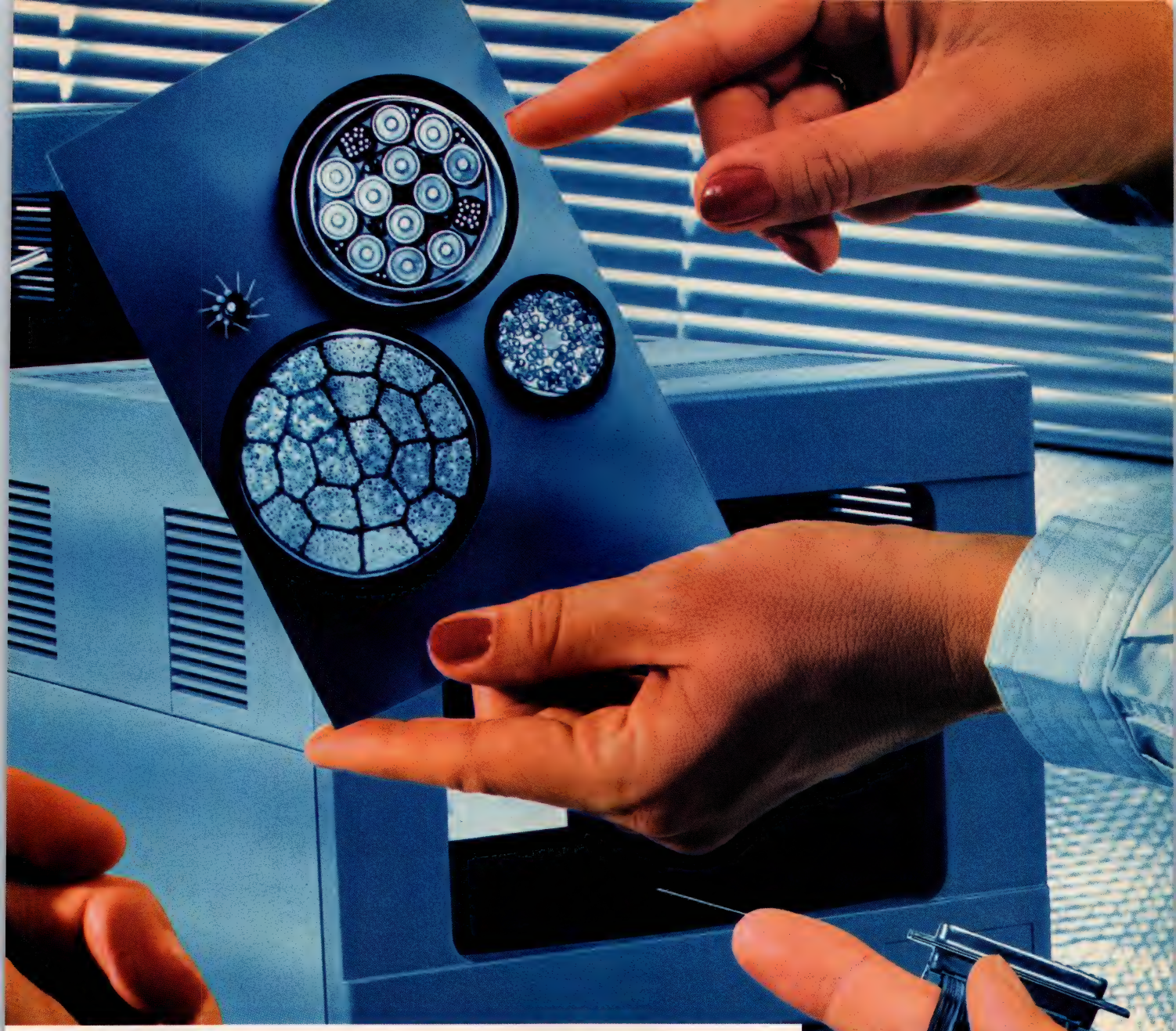

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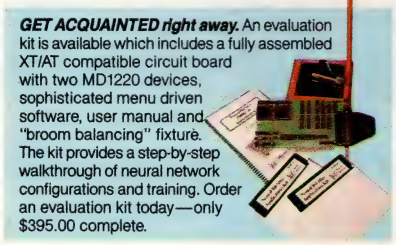

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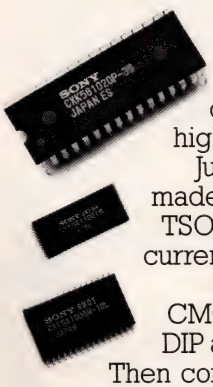

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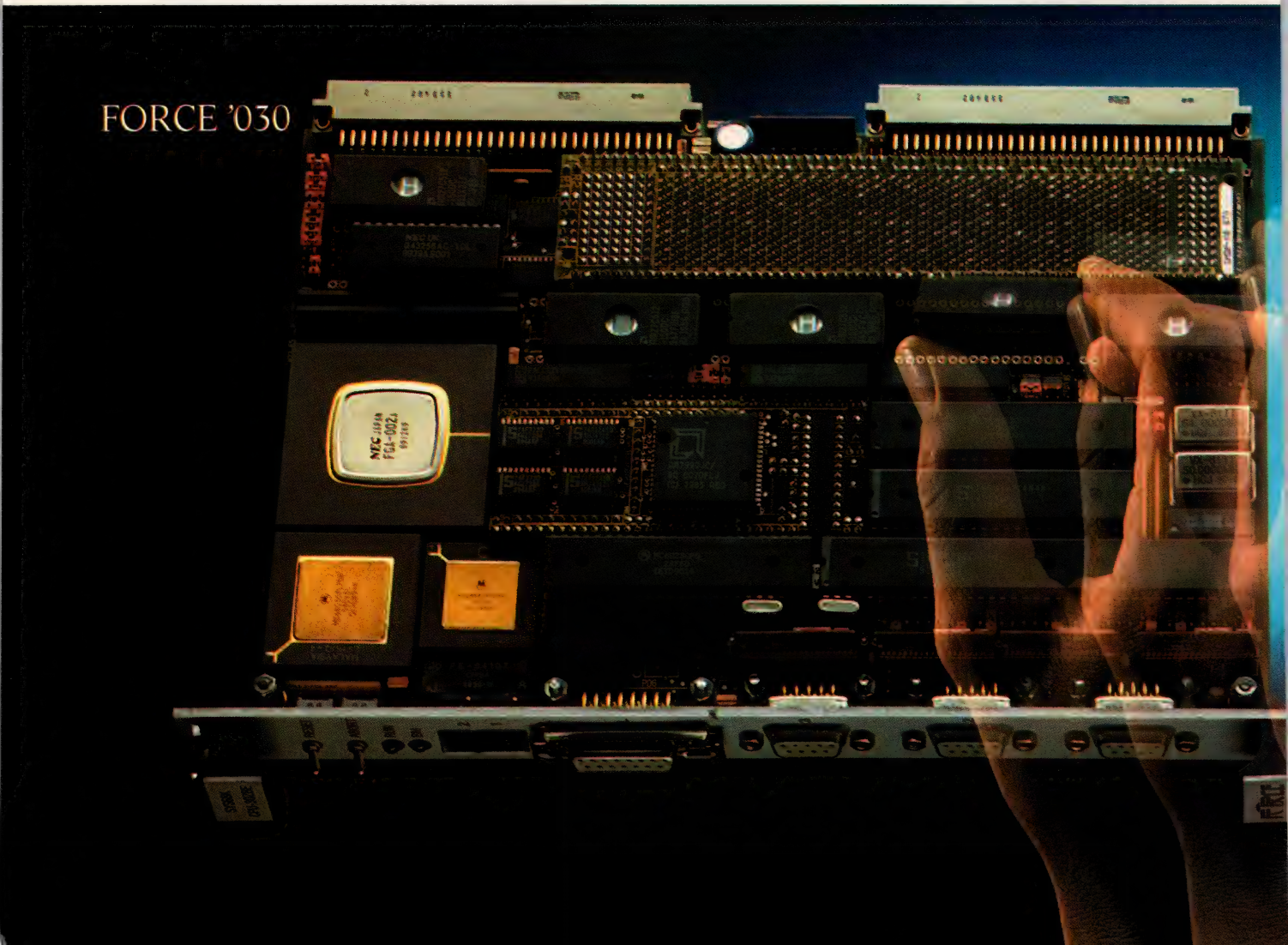

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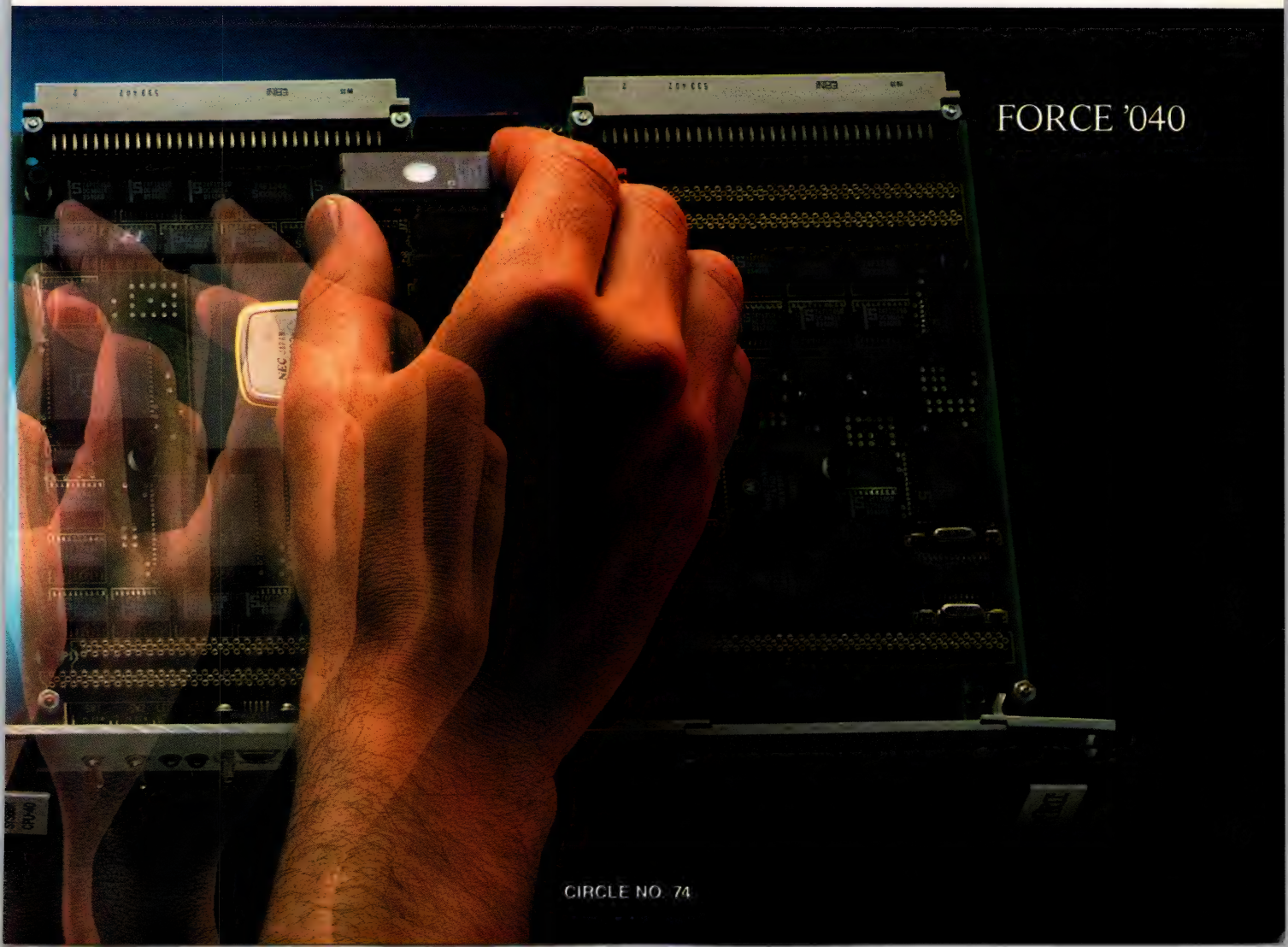

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Drop the B-2 bomber

In the chaotic budget deliberations in the US Congress, there is a bit of hope. Congress recently voted to drastically cut spending for the B-2 bomber. That decision is a good step in reducing both defense spending and the US's reliance on gee-whiz high-technology weapons systems. I'm most concerned about our reliance on and fascination with high-tech weaponry.

I'm sure some readers will respond that cutting the B-2 project will hamper US defense efforts and weaken our ability to respond to local actions such as Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. Anyone who believes that argument has been reading too many of the Department of Defense's self-serving pronouncements. The B-2 is a flawed product in search of a nonexistent mission.

The Air Force presents the B-2 as a plane that radar cannot detect, and today's radars cannot detect it, at least at long ranges. However, several recent photographs of the B-2 in flight show it refueling from a standard Air Force tanker aircraft. Such a tanker does show up on radar systems and presents a nice target.

The US has no stealth tankers. Also, developments in ultra-wideband (UWB) radar systems may advance radar technology to the point where practical radar systems can detect stealth aircraft. UWB radar has its own set of development and technology barriers, but the US's development of stealth aircraft will spur the development of UWB radar—both in the US and elsewhere.

The B-2 has other inherent limitations. Its turbofan engines emit a warm exhaust plume that can be detected by infrared sensors such as those on the USSR's MiG-29. The high cost of each B-2—over $500 million—means that the Air Force will be reluctant to commit the planes to action until all of the enemy's air defenses have been eliminated. So, why the need for a radar-invisible bomber in the first place? The DoD presents the B-2 as a flexible weapons system that can track down and destroy mobile weapons systems and command posts—the same mission established years ago for cheaper and pilotless cruise missiles.

For these reasons alone, the B-2 should be dumped. Congressional and defense leaders should trade the B-2 for other projects—several deserve more funding and more attention than they are getting now. Late last year, the Pentagon quietly shut down the SR-71 Blackbird program of high-altitude reconnaissance flights. Congress charged that the program was poorly managed and refused to continue funding it. Close-in photoreconnaissance might have given us more information about Iraq's recent strategies. The SR-71 is too valuable an asset to mothball. Instead of stopping the program, Congress should demand an action plan and get the Blackbird flying again.

In the present rush to cut defense budgets, let's be sure we're cutting the right programs and funding the programs that offer real defense benefits.

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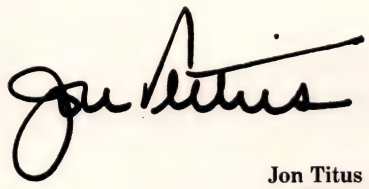

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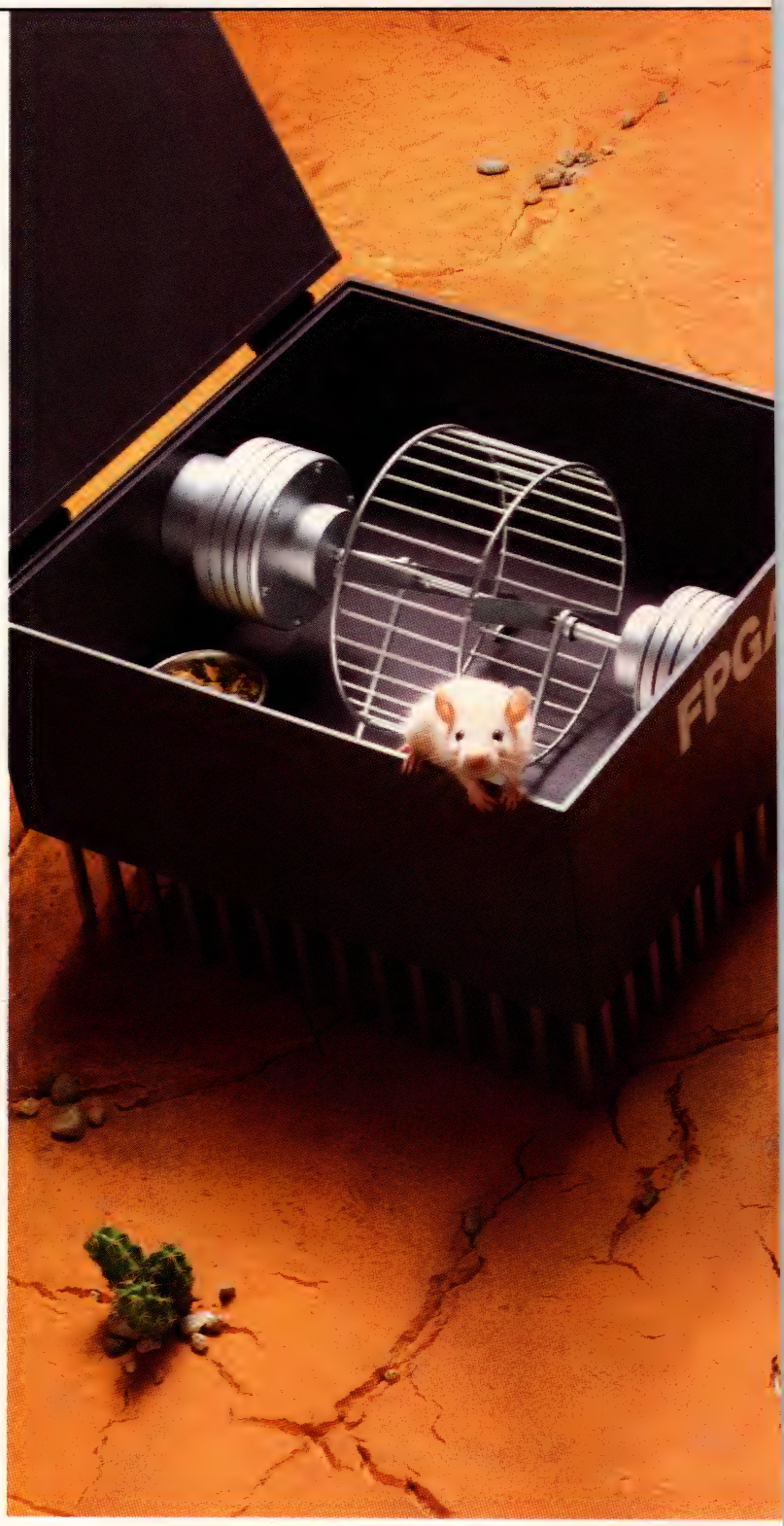

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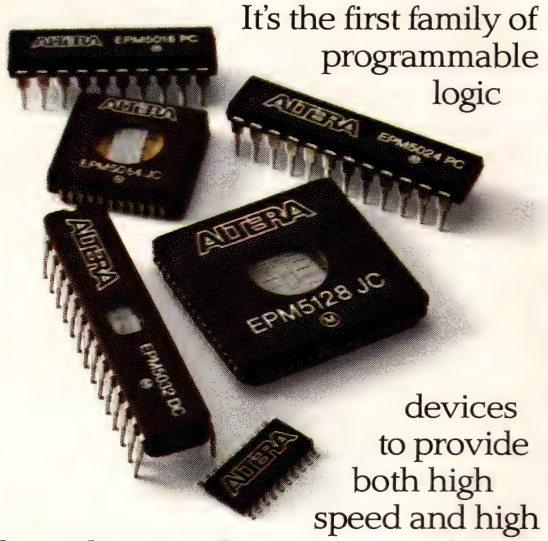

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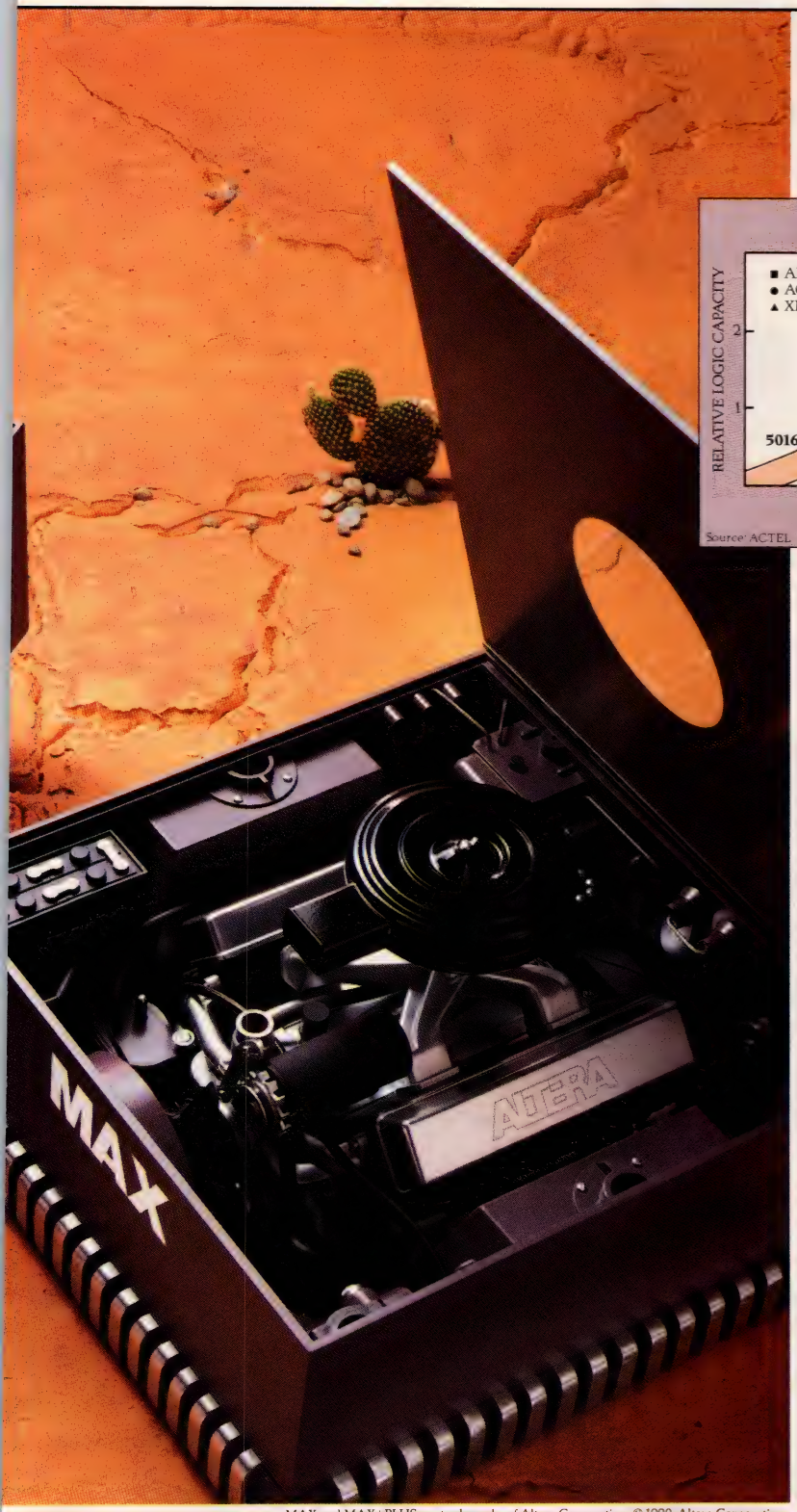

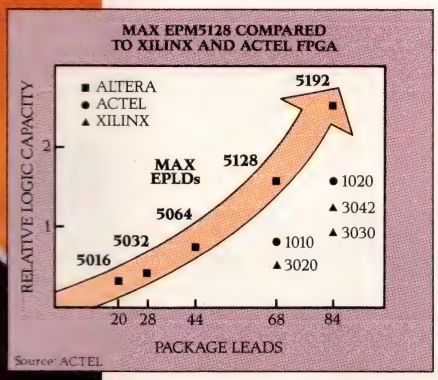

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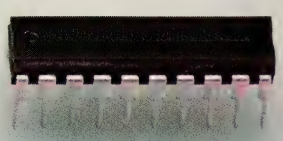

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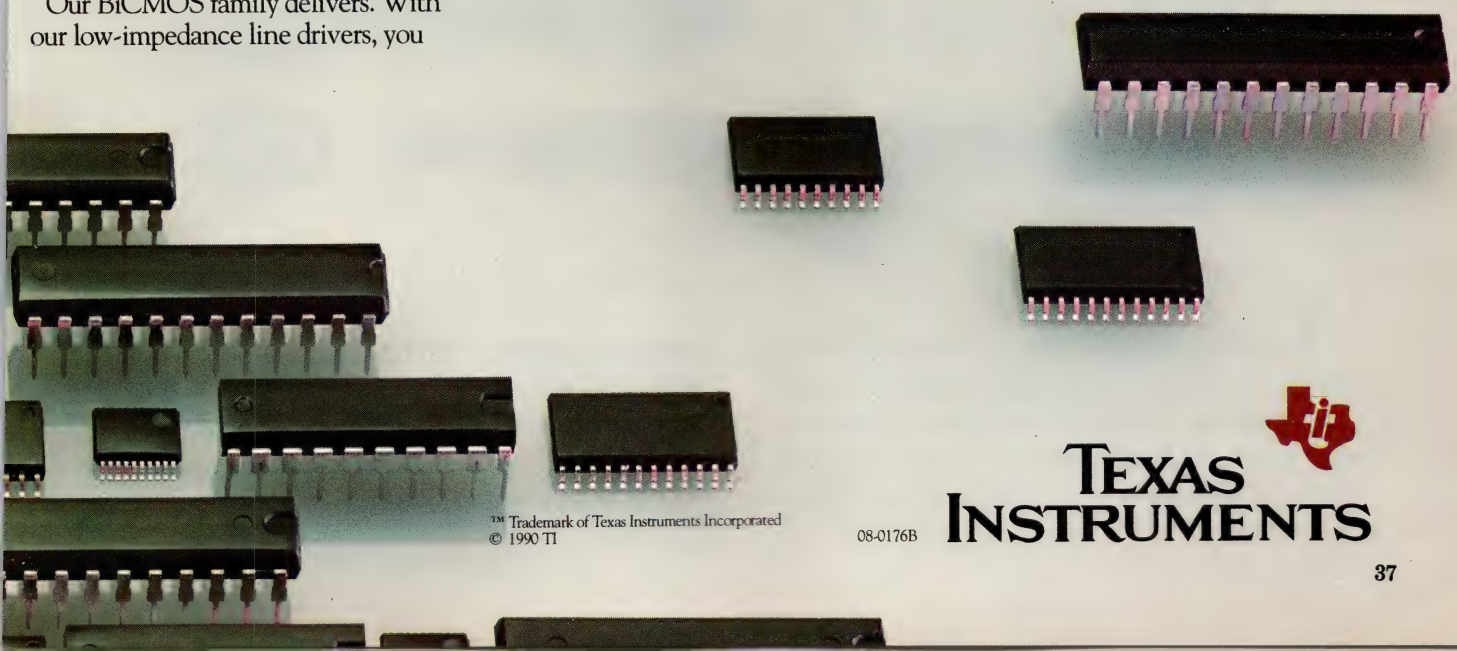

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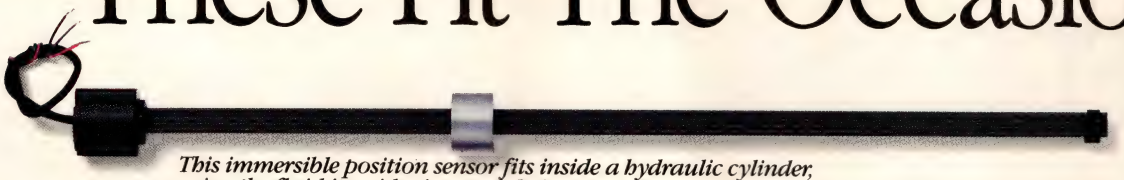
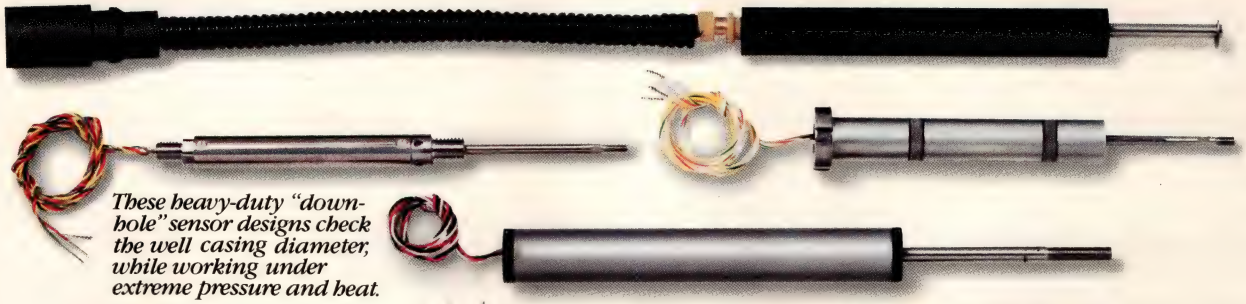


This immersible position sensor fits inside a hydraulic cylinder, using the fluid it resides in as a lubricant while saving space.



These heavy-duty "down-hole" sensor designs check the well casing diameter, while working under extreme pressure and heat.

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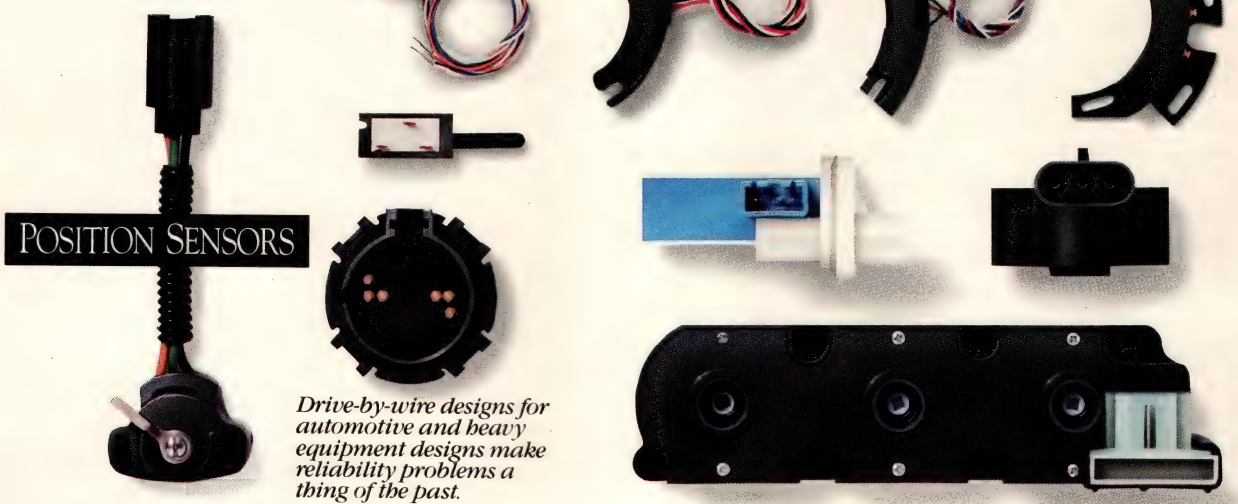

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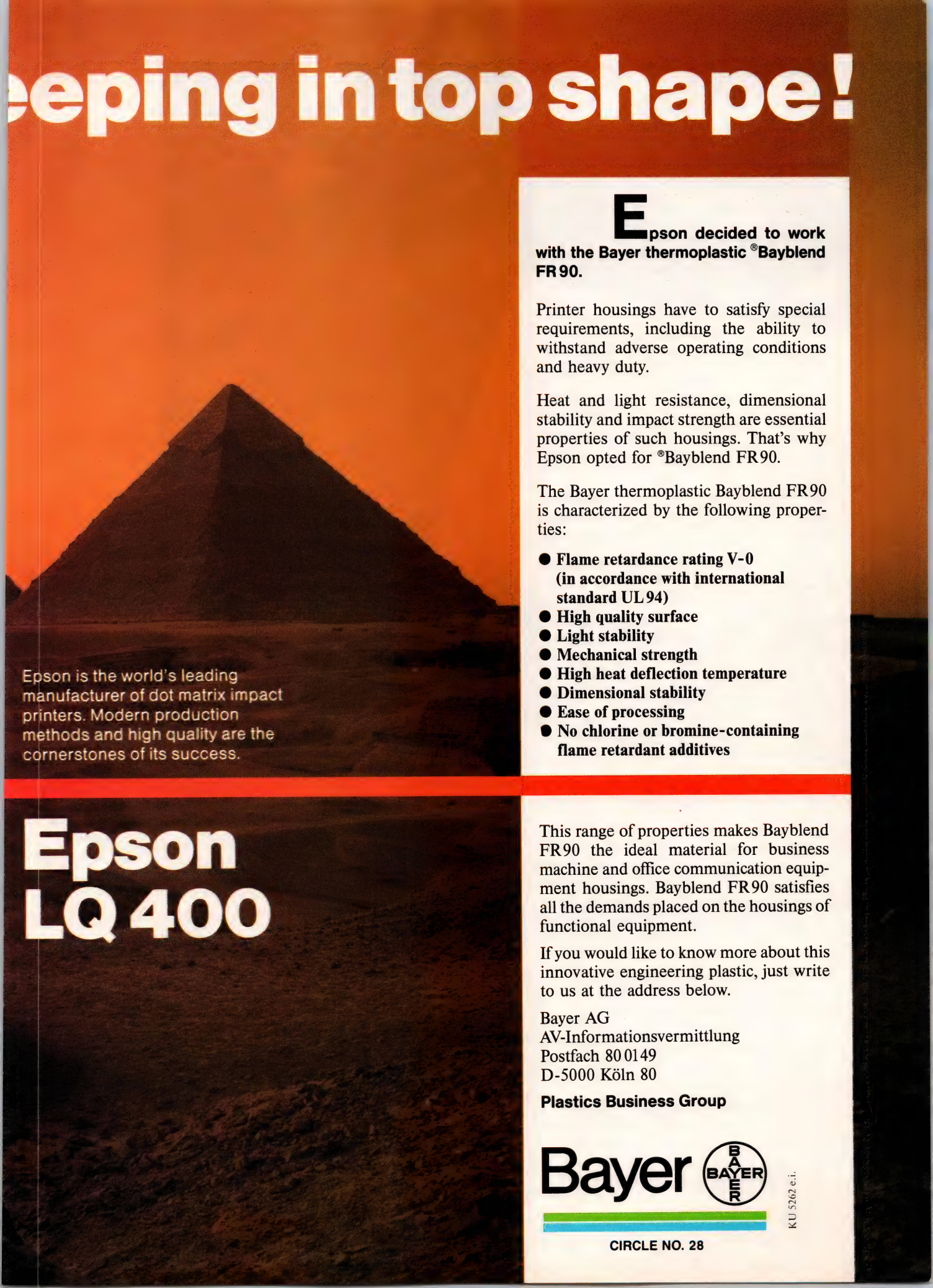

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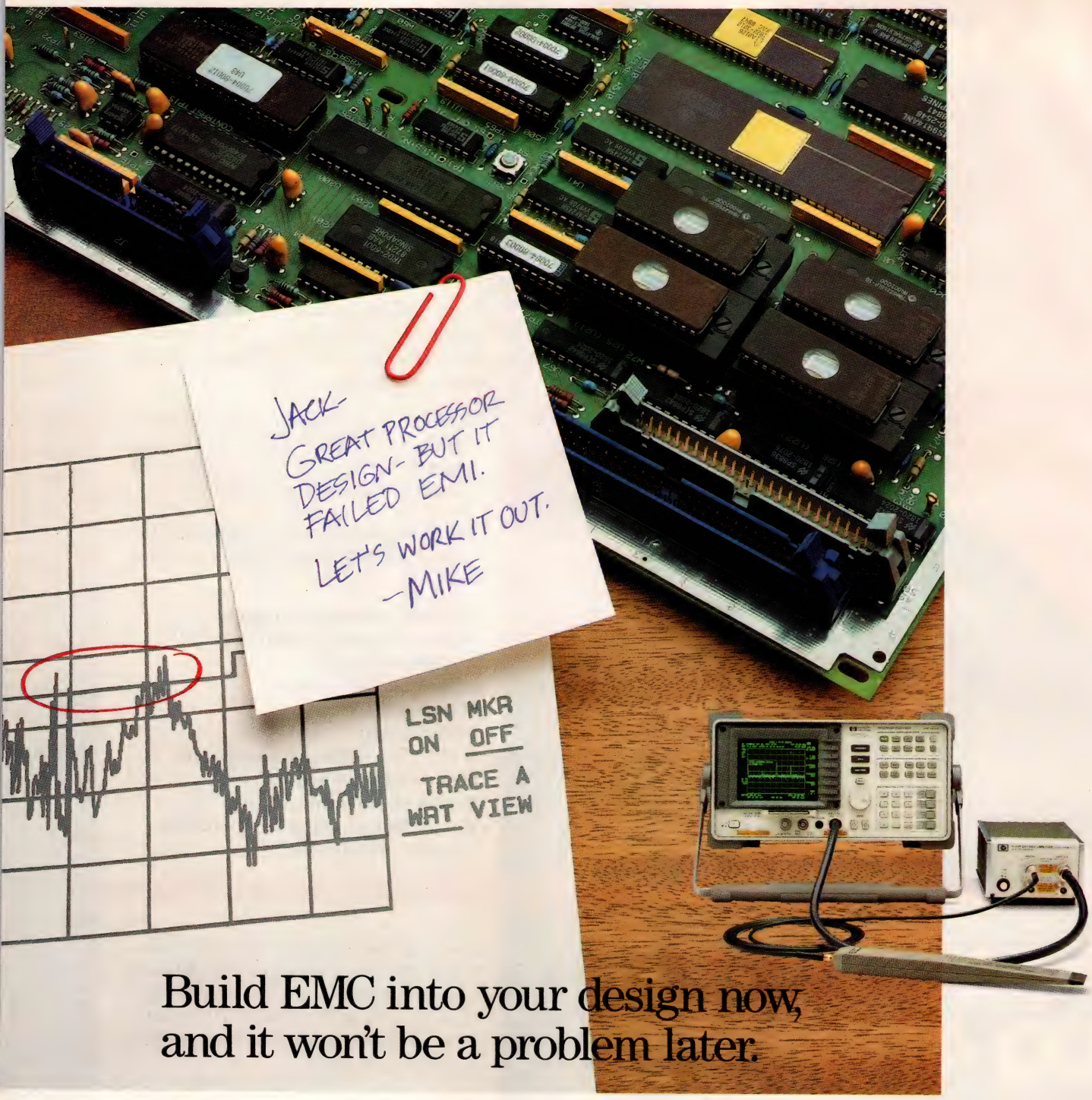

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Brian Kerridge,
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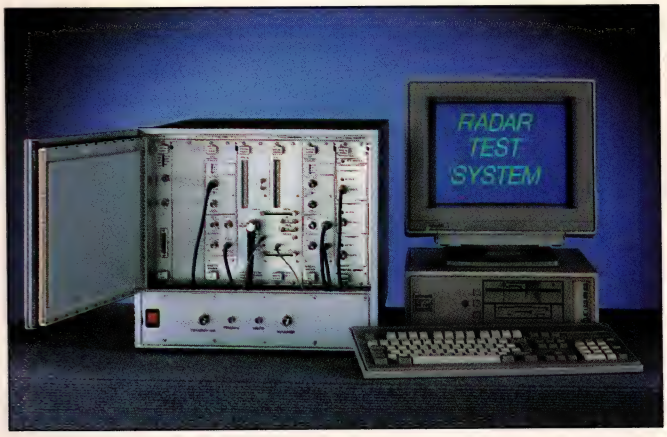
VXIbus-product designers refuse to let low activity in the conventional test-and-measurement sector break their resolve. (VXI stands for VME extensions for instrumentation.) The twelve months since EDN's first survey of VXIbus products (**Ref 1**) has seen vendors consolidate product ranges and push the success of the VXIbus standard beyond doubt.

Recent additions to VXIbus instrument rankings include several high-end units, such as a 500-MHz digitizing oscilloscope, a time-interval analyzer with an 8-psec resolution, and a 1-mHz to 20-kHz frequency-response analyzer.

Just as encouraging as the growth of VXIbus products is the growth in the number and variety of turnkey automatic test equipment (ATE) employing VXIbus products. Blakell Systems offers a pc-board tester and 250V connectivity ATE; Giordano Associates markets a range of mobile ATE for analog, digital, and hybrid testing; and Kikusui has a functional test system. Other VXIbus-based systems include NH Research's in-circuit tester and power-supply ATE as well as Racal Instruments' range of radar test systems for measuring 20-GHz signals.

At the VXIbus module level, the principal vendors are Hewlett-Packard, Racal-Dana, and the Tektronix/Colorado Data Systems amalgamation. These companies each offer a wide variety of modules and chassis parts. Other module vendors include National Instruments, which specializes in bus control, and companies that offer a few specialist products each.

Hewlett-Packard made an early surprise launch into the B-size market and has recently expanded that range of products with nine products. Unit prices for all nine products are around $1000. The modules suit scanning and sensor monitoring in industrial applications.



***Radar test systems** from Racal-Instruments can measure transmitter and receiver parameters of 20 GHz. The systems use a screened RF and microwave enclosure.*

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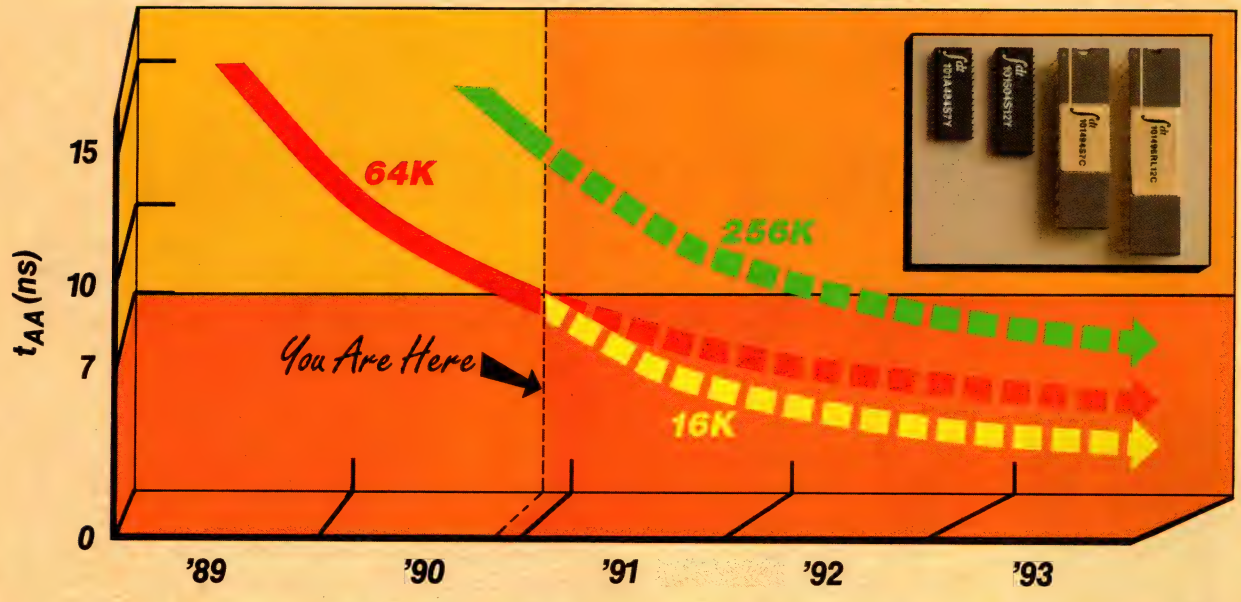

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IDT101490	64K (64K × 1) 101K ECL	8	420
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Notebook software from Laboratory Technologies (Wilmington, MA) controls the system.

Hewlett-Packard's B-size labors have still left the company time to develop C-size units. A 500-MHz digitizing oscilloscope is a significant addition to the range of instrumentation available in C-size VXIbus format. The oscilloscope comes in a 2-slot module. It has a vertical resolution of 8 bits, a record length of 1024 points, and a digitizing rate of 20M samples/sec.

C-size modules promise to be the most popular for professional systems, and Racal-Dana emphasizes these products. A high-end time-interval analyzer is a noteworthy addition to the company's range. The analyzer stores as many as 8000 samples on each of its 250-MHz-bandwidth input channels. The time-interval single-shot resolution is 8 psec. The $14,950 price is well below what you might expect to pay for equivalent performance in a stand-alone alternative.

Another important instrument addition is Schlumberger Technologies' C-size, single-slot frequency-response analyzer. The analyzer outputs sine, square, and triangular waves with frequencies of 1 mHz to 20 kHz. The analyzer measures both polar and Cartesian coordinates. It has an amplitude resolution of 0.1 dB over a 100-dB dynamic range and a phase resolution of 0.01°.

One of the promises the VXIbus has yet to deliver is lower product prices. HP's B-size modules cost $1000 and less, but prices for C-size units generally equate to what you'd pay for a rack-and-stack alternative. Vendors argue that although the price of individual VXIbus modules may be high, the complete system cost will be lower than that of rack-and-stack systems because of the common enclosure and power supply and simpler system integration. This last advantage is sure to bring a wry smile to the faces of case-hardened system integrators, who heard similar comments at the advent of IEEE-488. Nonetheless, the downsizing, module interoperability, and promise of a common command language must all result in cost benefits at some point. The fact is that while the VXIbus is in its infancy and shipment volume is low, module vendors will justifiably grab the chance to restore some of the eroded margins on their traditional test-and-measurement lines.

Controller module costs are considerably higher than what you can now pay for an IBM PC or compatible computer. While applauding engineers' skills at packaging the essential innards of an 80386-based PC into a C-size module, you need considerable justification to spend $8000 plus just to benefit from embedded control. If you need a D-size module, expect to pay close to $20,000.

VXIbus newcomers are often concerned about how well products from different vendors will function together. Novice system integrators will no doubt avoid the issue by purchasing all system components from a single vendor. HP, Racal-Dana, and Tektronix/Colorado Data Systems all have product ranges broad enough to let you make such a purchase. But this approach may indicate unwarranted caution on your part.

Because engineers exclusively pioneered the VXIbus, the specifications for the mechanical and electrical operation of bus modules are well defined. These same engineers, keen to test the compatibility of their designs, persuaded their companies to participate early on in product interoperability trials with competitor's units. Trials continue at the rate of three or four times a year, and the VXIbus Consortium considers organizing this activity a

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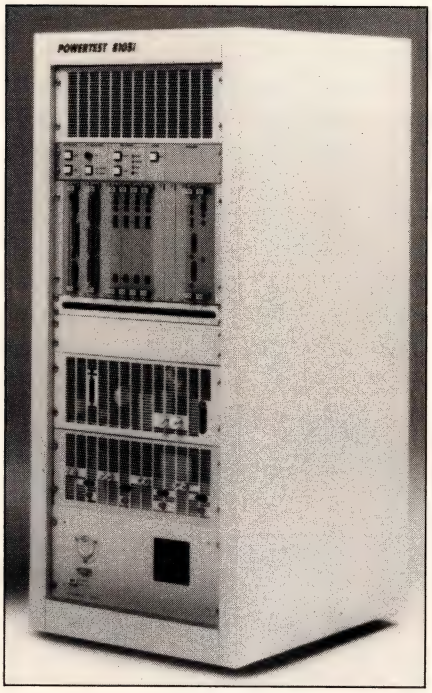

The 8105i power-supply functional-test system *from NH Research uses eight C-size modules for switching, transient analysis, and limit detection.*

primary responsibility. Currently only a few minor problems arise, which should inspire confidence that you can safely mix and match units from different vendors. Principal participants in interoperability testing include Colorado Data Systems, Fluke/Philips (Everett, WA), Hewlett-Packard, National Instruments, Racal-Dana, Tektronix, and Wavetek.

Software incompatibility between vendors' VXIbus products is a prevailing system integrator's headache, but a remedy is on the horizon. SCPI (pronounced skippy) stands for standard commands for programmable instrumentation. This specification continues from where IEEE-488.2 left off and applies equally to conventional instrumentation and VXIbus instruments. SCPI aims to standardize command codes for any operation that an instrument performs. What are now an instrument's device-dependent commands will become common to instruments from all vendors. The development of the SCPI specification is under the auspices of the SCPI Consortium, which includes the same member companies as the VXI Consortium. The consortium publishes the SCPI document, which you can purchase for $75 by contacting Bode Enterprises.

Vendors with existing products are unlikely to backtrack on designs in order to implement SCPI. So some time will pass before the majority of VXIbus instruments conform to the specification. Indeed, most IEEE-488-interface implementations have yet to catch up with IEEE-488.2 command syntax. Hewlett-Packard has a temporary edge on competitors in making its

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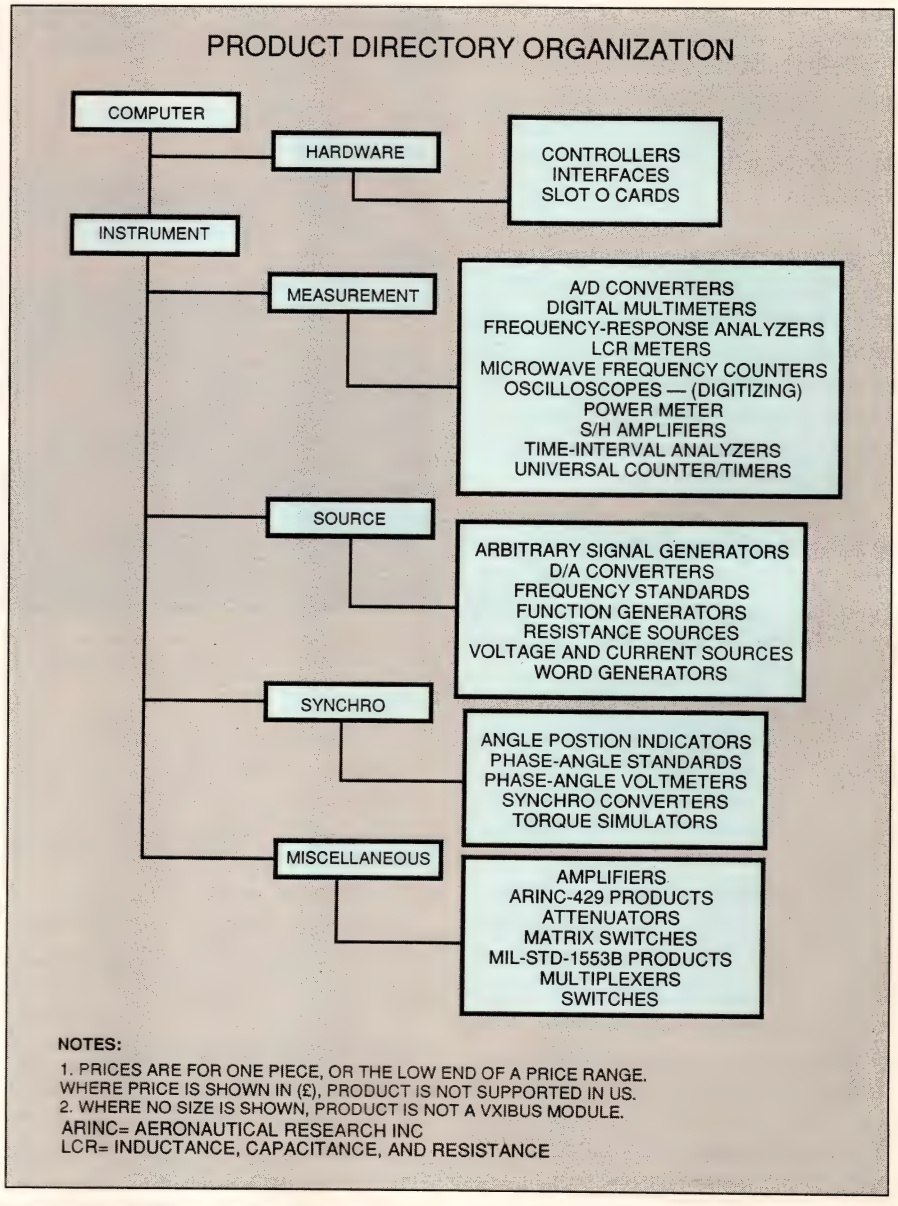

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Watchdog Timer	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓
Power Fail Warning	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	
Write Protect		✓		✓					✓	
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Battery Monitor									✓	
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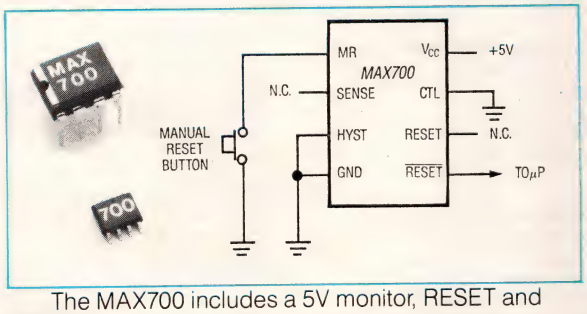

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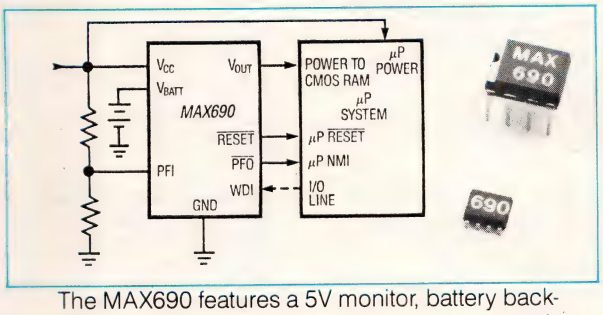

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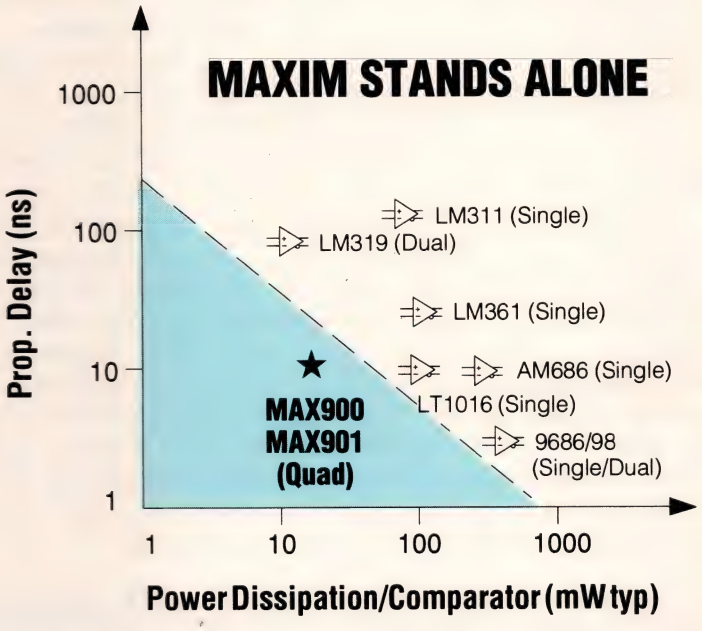

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VXIbus products SCPI compatible because SCPI was developed from the company's in-house test-and-measurement system language, TMSL. All HP VXIbus modules are TMSL compatible. The company is in the best position to offer SCPI-compatible products once the specification is cast in stone.

If after all this striving for compatibility and standardization you remain unconvinced that products from different vendors can successfully work together in a single system, then a small number of system-integration services can offer consolation. These companies take overall responsibility for building and commissioning your system. Such companies include C&H Engineering, Marconi Instruments, Racal-Dana, and Tasco; their addresses are included in the **For more information . . .** box.

This box also includes some other addresses that are useful for VXIbus followers. Bode Enterprises publishes the VXIbus Newsletter, which costs $195 per year and features topical information about products and events. Another publication dedicated to VXIbus fans is VXIjournal. First issued in July 1990, it appears quarterly and is free to qualified readers.

The organization of this year's VXIbus directory appears in **Fig 1.** All products fall into one of two main categories: computers or instruments. Further subdivisions lead to a recognizable product description. Chassis and software products do not appear in this directory. EDN plans to survey these product areas in future issues. The directory lists only products that are available now or will be available during the first quarter of 1991. EDN

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	Fiber interface	9211	D1	6 channels, TTL input to fiber output	$1750
	Fiber interface	9912	C1	4 channels, fiber input to TTL output	$1300
	Fiber interface	9913	D1	6 channels, fiber input to TTL output	$1750
Colorado Data Systems	Controller	73A-160	C4	12-MHz 80286/87 based, as much as 4M bytes of RAM, 20M-byte hard disk, 3½- and 5¼-in. floppy-disk drive, IEEE-488	$5200
	Controller	73A-161	C3	Same as 73A-160 but only 3½-in. floppy-disk drive	$5200
	Digital I/O	73A-411	C1	48 optoisolated, bidirectional TTL/CMOS-level lines	$2200
	Digital I/O	73A-412	C1	10 bytes, programmable as inputs or outputs	$1800
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	Slot 0	73A-156	C1	Modular ATE compliant, IEEE-488 port	$2800
Hewlett-Packard	Controller	E1480A	C4	25-MHz 68030 based, as much as 16M bytes of RAM, IEEE-488 port	$9950
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	Slot 0	E1405A	C1	Resource manager, IEEE-488 interface	$2800
ICS Electronics	Interface	5523	C1	56 I/O lines, power and control for OEM cards	$700
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	Controller	VXIpc-030	C2	Apple Mac SE/30 compatible, as much as 8M bytes of RAM, 80M-byte hard disk, IEEE-488.2 port	$14,800
	Slot 0 card	GPIB-VXI	C1	Resource manager, IEEE-488-to-VXI interface	$3000
	Slot 0 card	VXI-MXI	C1	Extends VXIbus to MXIbus	$1995
	IBM PC/AT-to-VXI interface	VXI-AT2000	C1	Includes plug-in PC card and slot 0 card linked by 2m cable, MXIbus and LabWindow software	$3800
	IBM PC/AT-to-VXI interface	VXI-AT2010	C1	Same as VXI-AT2000 but with MS Windows	$3995
	IBM PC/AT-to-VXI interface	VXI-AT2021	C1	Same as VXI-AT2000 but with SCO Xenix	$3800
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	IBM PS/2-to-VXI interface	VXI-MC2000	C1	Same as VXI-AT2000 but for IBM PS/2 and DOS	$4500
	IBM PS/2-to-VXI interface	VXI-MC2030	C1	Same as VXI-MC2000 but with OS/2	$4500
	IBM 6000-to-VXI interface	VXI-MC6000	C1	Same as VXI-AT2000 but for IBM 6000 and AIX software	$4600
Racal-Dana Instruments	Digital input/output	1260-14	C1	96 bidirectional CMOS or TTL channels	$1795
	Slot 0 controller	1260-00B	C1	Resource manager, IEEE-488-to-VXI interface	$3000
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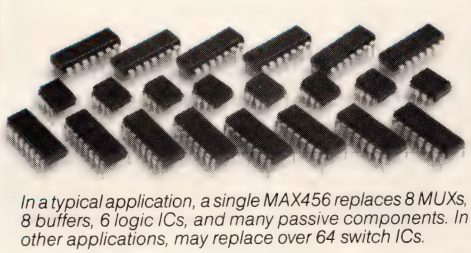

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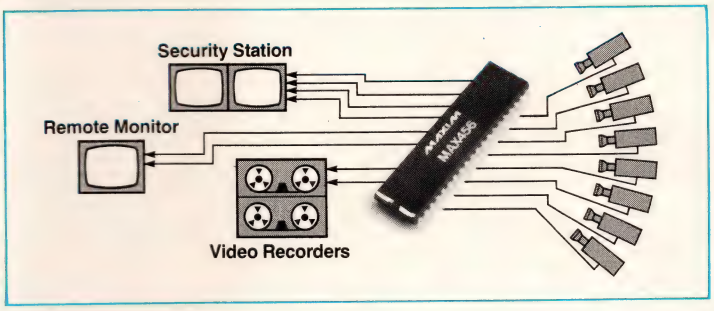

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Computer-hardware products (continued)

Vendor	Description	Model	Size	Key features	Price
Radisys	System controller	EPC-2	C2	16- or 20-MHz 80386/87 based, as much as 16M bytes of RAM, 170M-byte hard disk, 3½-in. floppy-disk drive	$13,810
	System controller	EPC-2e	C2	Same as EPC-2 but 8M bytes of RAM, 40M-bytes hard disk, and Ethernet interface	$8200
Tektronix	Slot 0	VX4520	C1	Resource manager, IEEE-488.2 port	$3200
	Slot 0	VX5520	D1	Resource manager, IEEE-488 port	$4250
	System controller	VX4530	C2	16-MHz 80386/87 based, 2 M bytes of RAM, 40M-byte hard disk, 3½-in. floppy-disk drive, IEEE-488 port	$11,750
	System controller	VX4535	C2	Same as VX4530 but 20-MHz 80386/7 based, 8M bytes of RAM	$17,500
	System controller	VX5530	D2	Same as VX4530 but D size	$18,000
	System controller	VX5535	D2	Same as VX4535 but D size	$24,000
Universal Test Equipment	Controller	VX2000	A1	Specifically for control of this company's modules	$725
	Display	VX3856	A1, B1	8-character, 14-LED segments; register based	$725
	Logic monitor	VX3872	A1, B1	Threshold programmable ±12V; low, high, pulse detection	$725

Measurement instruments

Vendor	Description	Model	Size	Key features	Price
Analogic	A/D converter	DVX2502	B1	8-channel multiplexer, 200-kHz sampling, 16 bit	$3700
	A/D converter	DVX2503	B1	8-channel multiplexer, 400-kHz sampling, 16 bit	$4500
	S/H amplifier	DVX2601	B1	16-channel multiplexer, 200-kHz sampling	$3600
Colorado Data Systems	Universal counter/timer	73A-541	C1	10 MHz, 100-nsec resolution, channels, time-tag storage	$2400
Datron Instruments	Digital multimeter	1362	C1	6½ digits, 1000 readings/sec, current and ratio	$4250
EIP Microwave	Microwave frequency counter	1231A	C3	20 GHz, CW, or 50-nsec pulse	$12,700
	Microwave frequency counter	1230A	C3	26.5 GHz, CW, or 50-nsec pulse, 170-GHz option	$17,000
Hewlett-Packard	Digital multimeter	E1326A	B2	5½ digits, 14,000 readings/sec	$1200
	Digital multimeter	E1410A	C1	6½ digits, 1450 readings/sec	$3500
	Digital multimeter	E1411A	C1	Same as E1362A	$1600
	Oscilloscope (digitizing)	E1426A	C2	500-MHz bandwidth, 4 channels, 20M samples/sec, 8 bit	$6950
	Power meter	E1416A	C1	100 khz to 50 GHz, −70 to +40 dBm, sensor option	$2500
	Universal counter/timer	E1332A	B1	4 MHz, 200-nsec resolution, 4 channels	$900
	Universal counter/timer	E1333A	B1	1 GHz, 1-nsec resolution, 3 channels	$900
	Universal counter/timer	E1420A	C1	200 MHz, 2-nsec resolution	$3450
Racal-Dana Instruments	A/D converter	4070	C1	40-MHz sampling, 8-bit resolution, 16k bytes of memory	£4966
	Digital multimeter	4061	C1	6½ digits, 1000 readings/sec	£2600
	Microwave frequency counter	2051	C1	2.6 GHz, 9 digits, 2 inputs	$3595
	Microwave frequency counter	2151	C2	20 GHz, 9 digits, 3 inputs	$4585
	Power meter	4051	C1	200 kHz to 26.5 GHz, −60 to +25 dBm, sensor option	£3147
	Universal counter/timer	2251	C1	1.3-GHz, 9 digits 1-nsec single shot resolution	$3250
	Time-interval anayzer	2351	C2	250 MHz, 8-psec resolution, 8000-sample storage	$14,950
Schlumberger Technologies	Frequency-response analyzer	1270	C1	Generates sine, square, triangle waes; 1 MHz to 20 kHz, 2-channel analyzer, 0.01-dB and 0.01° resolution	$12,200
Tektronix	Digital multimeter	VX4236	C1	6½ digits, 1000 readings/sec	$3750
	Universal counter/timer	VX4223	C1	160 MHz, 1-nsec resolution, 2 channels, 1.3-GHz option	$3500
Universal Test Equipment	Ammeter	VX3984	A1, B1	4½ digits, 6 ranges to 1A, 4-wire sense	$725
	Digital multimeter	VX3888	A1, B1	4½ digits; voltage, current, resistance register based	$725
	Digital voltmeter	VX3890	A1, B1	4½ digits, dc and ac rms and p-p voltage to 100 kHz	$725
Veretest	LCR meter	3100	C1	Polar and cartesian coordinate output, 1 kHz to 1 MHz	$3000

Sources

Vendor	Description	Model	Size	Key features	Price
Colorado Data Systems	Arbitary-pulse generator	73A-270	C1	2 channels, 1600 programmable pulse durations	$3500
	Arbitrary-waveform generator	37A-243	C1	0.8 Hz to 25 MHz, 12-bit vertical×16 bit horizontal	$4100
	D/A converter	73A-256	C1	12 channels, 16-bit resolution, ±16.4V output	$3500
	Resistance source	73A-342	C1	2 outputs, 10Ω to 41 kΩ, or 100 Ω to 410 kΩ	$2000
Hewlett-Packard	D/A converter	E1328A	B1	4 channels, 16-bit resolution, ±10V output	$1100
	Function generator	E1440A	C2	21-MHz sine, amplitude/phase modulation, sweep mode	$5750
Racal-Dana Instruments	Arbitary-pulse generator	3051	C1	2 channels, 1600 programmable pulse durations	£3920
	Arbitary-waveform generator	3052	C1	1.5 Hz to 25 MHz, 10-bit vertical×16-bit horizontal	£4400
	D/A converter	6055	C1	12 channels, 16-bit resolution, ±16.4V output	£4050
	Frequency standard	3351R	C2	Rubidium source, stability $<5\times10^{11}$/month	$10,950
	Frequency standard	3351E	C2	Ovened crystal, stability $<5\times10^{10}$/day	$2485
	Resistance source	4071	C1	2 outputs, 10Ω to 41 kΩ, or 100Ω to 410 kΩ	£2688
Tasco Electronics	Word generator	TVXI/STM5	C1	2 channels, serial, 5-MHz bit-rate analyzer	$14,950
	Word generator	TVXI/STM50	C1	Same as TVXI/STM5 but 50-MHz bit rate	$17,600
Universal Test Equipment	Resistance source	VX3968	A1, B1	1Ω to 1 MΩ, register based	$725
Veretest	Voltage and current source	3380	C1	Dual, bipolar, 8W, 250 μV to 38V, 20 μA to 1A	$3500
Wavetek	Arbitrary-waveform generator	1375	C1	1 MHz to 20 MHz, 12-bit vertical×16-bit horizontal	$4995

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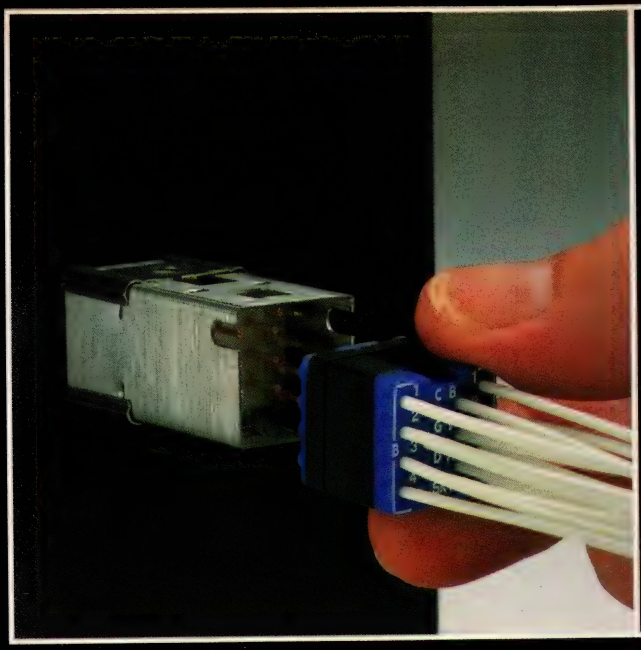

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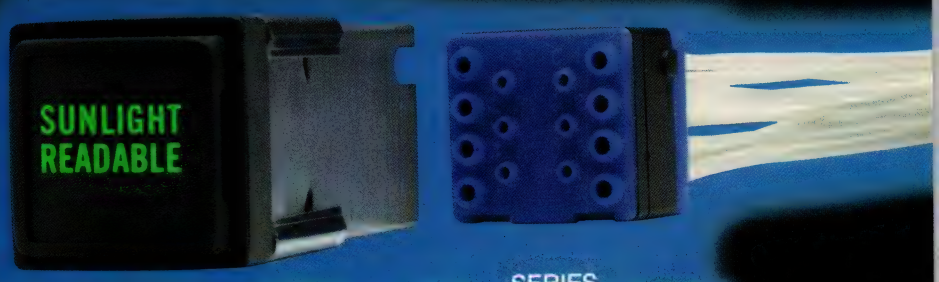

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Synchro/resolver instrumentation

Vendor	Description	Model	Size	Key features	Price
ILC Data Device	Synchro converter	IAC-37001	C1	Synchro/digital and digital/synchro conversion, 16- or 20-bit resolution, 18-arc sec accuracy	$5950
North Atlantic Industries	Phase-angle voltmeter	VXI227	C1	3 mV to 300V, 10 Hz to 100 kHz, 0.25° accuracy	$7995
	Synchro simulator	VXI5388	C1	Synchro/digital and digital/synchro conversion, includes angle position indicator and synchro simulator	$6995
Transmagnetics	Angle position indicator	5410C-30	C1	Resolves 0.001°, includes 2 synchro simulators	$6500
	Digital/synchro converter	5410C-42	C1	7 single-speed channels, or 1+2 multispeed channels, 14-bit to resolver output	$8870
	Digital/synchro converter	5410C-48-1	C1	4 channels, 16-bit to resolver output	$8870
	Synchro/digital converter	4510C-43	C1	5 single-speed channels, or 1+2 multispeed channels to 12- or 20 bits, respectively	$7483
	Synchro/digital converter	5410C-47-1	C1	6 channels, 11.8V input to 12-bit output	$7483
	Phase-angle standard	5410C-45-1	C1	Outputs voltage, phase shifted 0 to 359.9°	$7950
	Phase-angle voltmeter	5410C-31	C1	3 mV to 300V rms, 10 Hz to 100 kHz, 0.25° accuracy	$7950
	Phase-angle voltmeter	5410C-49-1	C1	Same as 5410C-31, but phase accuracy 0.1°	$7950
	Torque simulator	5410C-51	C1	3 channels, 11.8V output from 12-bit input from input reference to 0.05° resolution	$6850

Miscellaneous instruments

Vendor	Description	Model	Size	Key features	Price
Analogic	Solid-state multiplexer	DVX2701	B1	32 channels, ±10V input, 150-nsec switching	$995
CAL-AV Labs	Amplifier	9930	C1	4 channels, 500 MHz, 20-dB gain, 72-dB dynamic range	$3500
	Amplifier	9931	C1	4 channels, 1 GHz, 14-dB-gain, 65-dB-dynamic range	$3700
	Amplifier	9932	D1	6 channels, 500 MHz, 20-dB gain, 72-dB dynamic range	$5050
	Amplifier	9933	D1	6 channels, 1 GHz, 14-dB gain, 65-dB dynamic range	$5350
	Attenuator	9920	C1	4 channels, 1-GHz, 63-dB in 1-dB steps, 1.0W	$3100
	Attenuator	9921	C1	4 channels, 1 GHz, 127-dB in 1-dB steps, 1W	$3500
	Attenuator	9922	D1	6 channels, 1 GHz, 63-dB in 1-dB steps, 1W	$4400
	Attenuator	9923	D1	6 channels, 1 GHz, 127-dB in 1-dB steps, 1W	$4900
Colorado Data Systems	MIL-STD-1553A/B bus simulator	73A-453	C1	Bus controller, remote terminal, bus monitor	$3600
	MIL-STD-1553A/B bus tester	73S-456	C1	2 channels, 8 channel option	$9500
	Switch-relay	73A-353	C1	32 channels, spst, 48V, 4A rating	$1500
	Switch-relay	73A-355	C1	24 channels, dpst or spdt, 30V, 4A rating	$1900
	Switch-relay	73A-356	C1	20 channels, dpdt, 30V, 3A rating, 100 operations/sec	$1950
	Switch-relay	73A-357	C1	32 channels, spdt, 30V, 4A rating, 100 operations/sec	$1600
	Multiplexer-master	73A-332	C1	40×2-wire channels, 80 channels/sec, 4-digit display	$2000
	Multiplexer-master	73A-372	C1	2-24×2-wire channels, controlled via local bus	$1500
Hewlett-Packard	Matrix switch-relay	E1361A	B1	2×4 or 4×4, 10-MHz	$650
	Multiplexer-solid-state	E1351A	B1	16×2-wire channels, 16V input, 100-kHz scan rate	$875
	Multiplexer-solid-state	E1352A	B1	Same as E1351A but 32 single-wire channels	$1000
	Multiplexer-solid-state	E1353A	B1	Same as E1351A but with cold-junction compensation	$975
	Multiplexer-solid-state	E1357A	B1	8 channels, 120Ω strain gauge	$1125
	Multiplexer-solid-state	E1358A	B1	8 channels, 350Ω strain gauge	$1125
	Multiplexer-relay/3, 4-wire	E1345A	B1	16×3-wire or 8×4-wire channels	$650
	Multiplexer-relay/1-wire	E1346A	B1	48 single-wire channels, common low and guard	$800
	Multiplexer-relay/3-wire	E1347A	B1	Same as E1345A but with cold-junction compensation	$750
	Multiplexer-relay	E1355A	B1	8 channels, 120Ω strain gauge	$925
	Multiplexer-relay	E1356A	B1	8 channels, 350Ω strain gauge	$925
	Multiplexer-relay/2, 4-wire	E1460A	C1	64×2-wire or 32×4-wire channels, 10-MHz bandwidth	$2400
	Multiplexer-relay/RF	E1366A	B1	Dual 1×4, 50Ω characteristic impedance	$850
	Multiplexer-relay/RF	E1367A	B1	Same as E1366A but 75Ω characteristic impedance	$850
	Multiplexer-relay/RF	E1472A	C1	6 1×4 channels, 50Ω characteristic impedance	$2500
	Multiplexer-relay/RF	E1473A	C1	6 1×4 channel expander for E1472A	$1500
	Switch-relay	E1364A	B1	16 channels, 250V, 1A rating	$650
	Switch-relay/microwave	E1368A	B1	18 GHz, 3 spdt, 50Ω	$2100
ILC Data Device	MIL-STD-1553B interface	BUS-65522	B1	Bus controller, remote terminal, or bus monitor	$4995
Matrix Systems	Matrix switch-relay/RF	10081A-50	C1	4×8, 900 MHz, 7-segment status display, 50Ω	$2750
		10081A-75	C1	Same as 10081A-50 but 75Ω characteristic impedance	$2750
Quartzlock Instruments	Attenuator	132VXI		1 GHz, 132-dB in 0.1-dB steps, 1.3W	£1800
Racal-Dana Instruments	Switch-relay	1260-12	C1	20 channels, dpst, 50V, 1A rating	$3195
	Switch-relay/power	1260-20	C1	20 channels, dpdt, 250V, 8A rating	$1695
	MIL-STD-1553A/B bus simulator	6051	C1	Bus controller, remote terminal, bus monitor	£4200
	MIL-STD-1553A/B bus tester	6053	C1	2 channels, 8 channel option	£11,536
	Multiplexer-relay/2-wire	1260-30A/D	C1	40 channels, 1 1×40, 2 1×20, 4 1×10, 8 1×5	$1595
	Multiplexer-relay/2, 4-wire	1260-35	C1	96 channels, 2 1×48 2-wire to 8 1×6 4-wire	$2800
	Matrix switch-relay/2-wire	1260-40A/C	C1	Configurable 1 4×24, 2 4×12, 1 8×12	$2200
	Switch-relay/RF	1260-54	C1	1 GHz, 6 1×4 terminated trees	$2595
Tasco Electronics	ARINC-429 tester	TVXI/429	C1	16 channels (8 transmit/8 receive)	$14,950
Tektronix	Multiplexer controller	VX4400	C1	Controls the company's TSI range of remote-switch cards	$3250

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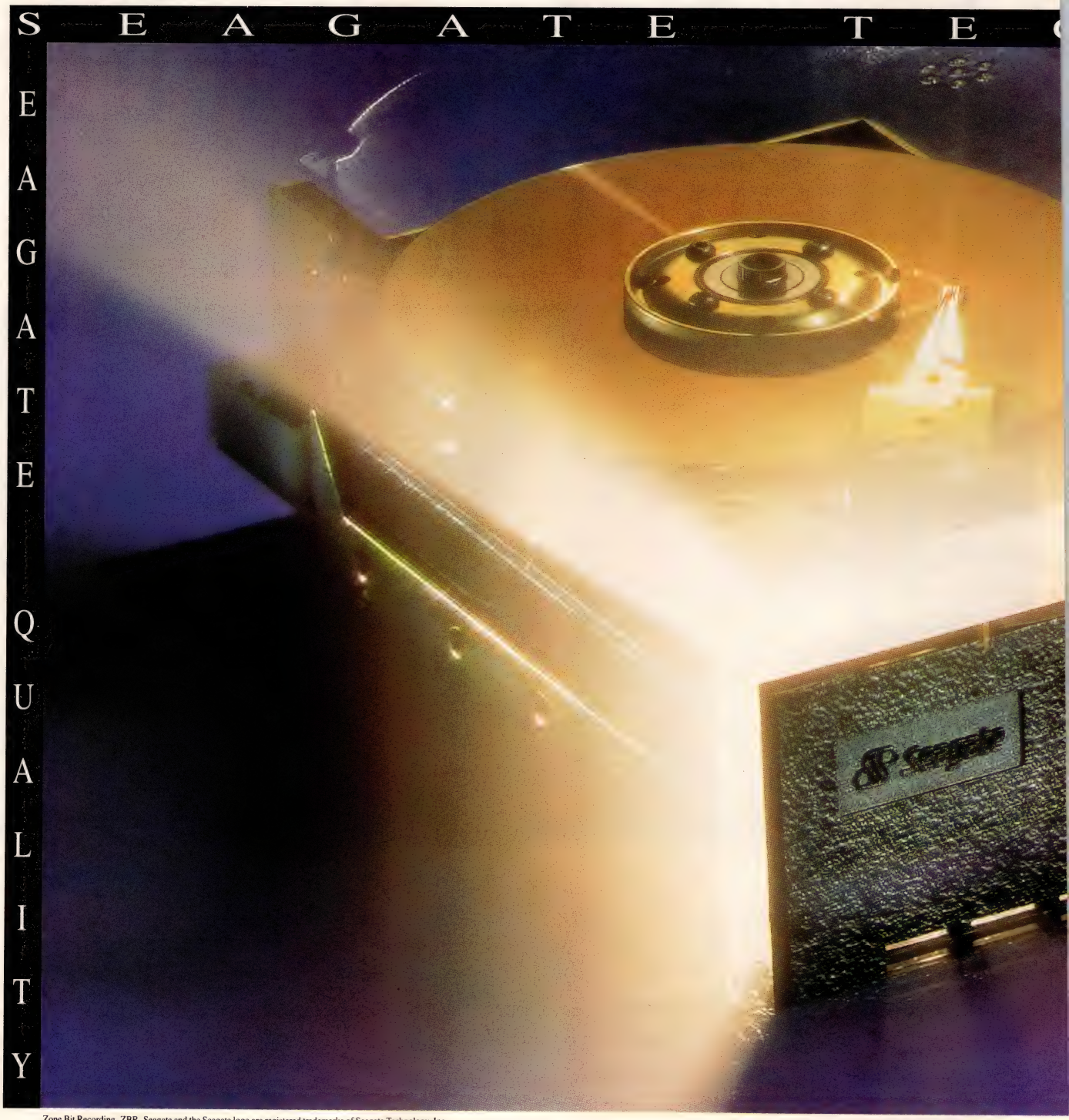

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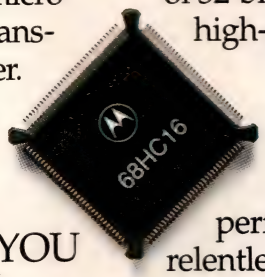

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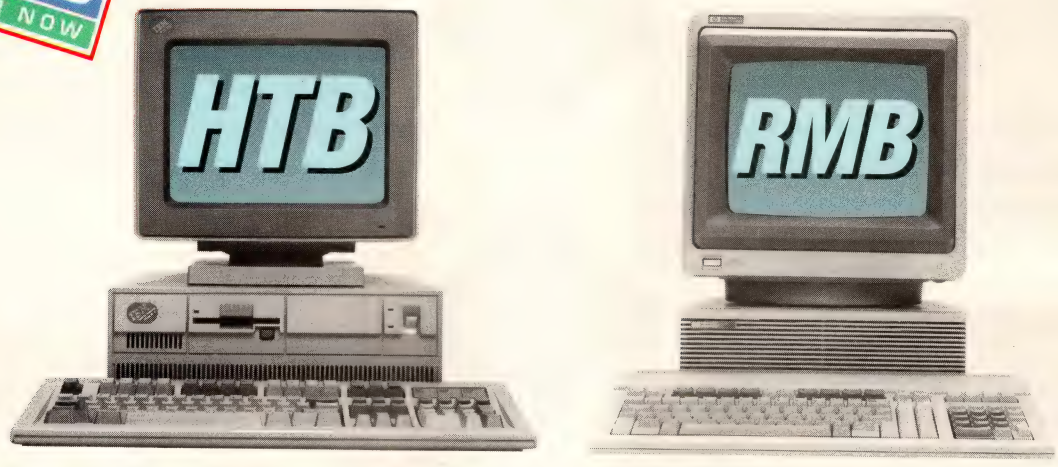

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The release of X11 is exciting news for engineers because it has accomplished the improbable: It allows you to use a piece of software to implement Unix-based graphical user interfaces (GUIs), rather than buying a new piece of hardware. GUIs transform Unix into an operating system that looks positively inviting by creating a Macintosh-looking screen, freeing the end user from cryptic software commands and uninformative system prompts.

So now we have a user-friendly, multitasking operating system creating the potential for engineering teams to simultaneously work on design projects via a computer network. Yet, this scenario feels like déjà vu as we run the risk of being thrown back to the days of timeshared centralized processing and "insufficient-bandwidth."

X-Window terminals look like workstations because they have GUIs and they let you access workstation software. (See **Table 1** for a comparative list of X-Window terminals.) But they don't have a CPU and must rely on the network host for computation and I/O. This means that the host CPU must deal with every keystroke and mouse click for every terminal on the network. As a result, each terminal added to the network can significantly decrease your system's performance. Using an X-Window terminal to access your Unix network is a good approach if you don't need to perform CPU-intensive tasks for extended periods.

Another reason to use X-Window terminals is that they cost several thousand dollars less than workstations. So, theoretically, you can run workstation software without the expense of purchasing a workstation. The catch is that most software vendors expect you to pay a licensing fee for each terminal on your network. And, although you may initially save a few thousand dollars, you may wind up paying more in licensing fees, even if you have no intention of running particular applications across the entire network.

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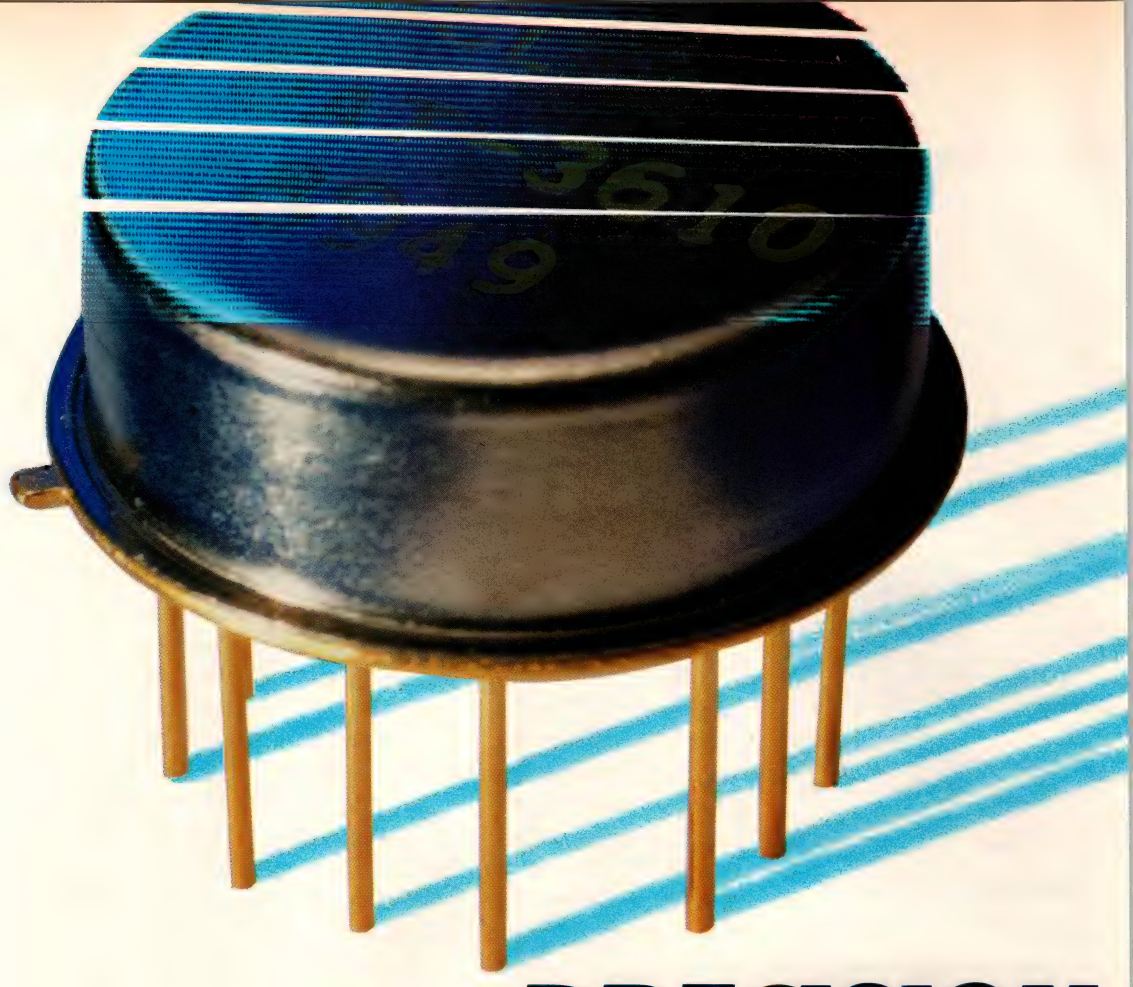

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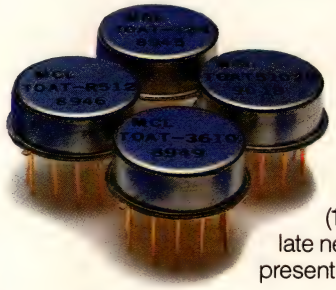

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However, X-Window terminals can be indispensable if the application happens to be located on multiple machines from multiple vendors, as may happen with a project involving several departments or an engineering work group effort. Or, if your company has engineers who infrequently need to use a computer to do their jobs, it may be more economical to provide them with terminals rather than workstations. It's only when one application is running on one CPU for extended periods of time that workstations offer a clear advantage over terminals.

A workstation provides more power per individual than a terminal, and CAE tends to be MIPS hungry. So by turning to an X-Window-compatible workstation, you can contribute to the common good by localizing your number crunching and staying off the network until you're ready to share your results. (See **Table 2** for a comparative list of X-Window workstations.) In addition, running an application solely on your workstation shields you from performance problems that may occur on the network.

You must be careful to compare similarly configured options when looking at price. Many workstation manufacturers promote units that sell for less than $5000, but these machines frequently have monochrome CRTs and minimal memory. Decide beforehand whether you'll need a SCSI port for external data storage or serial ports for peripherals such as scanners, plotters, or printers. An Ethernet port should be standard equipment for any X-Window-compatible terminal or workstation.

You can purchase an X-Window terminal from Graphon starting at $995 that will let you run X11 applications and tap into the CPU power of the network's Unix host. However, such terminals may have an unacceptably long response time if the host becomes inundated with server requests. And windowing terminals further load down the host with CPU-intensive, high-priority, interactive operations.

In addition, CAE drawings tend to be complex figures that you will probably want to display in color. So, expect to ante up at least a thousand dollars or more for a color CRT and increased memory. You can purchase terminals that are equipped to handle these complex drawings, such as Tekxpress from

***These color X-Window terminals**, part of the Tekxpress family from Tektronix, have a full suite of functions and can run an assortment of engineering programs.*

Table 1—X-Window terminals

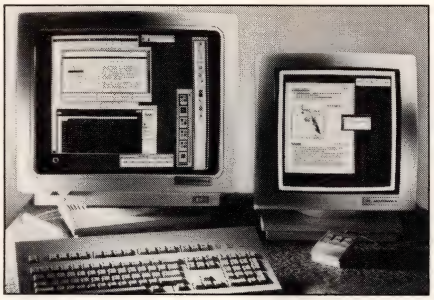
Manufacturer	Model	Base price	Display	System memory	I/O ports	Special features
Graphon Corp	Graphon 21	$1995	21-in. 1280×1024-pixels, Mono	Uses host's memory	Ethernet, serial	Virtual memory; screen displays 2 full-size pages
IBM Corp	Xstation 120	$2525	12-in. 640×480-pixels, Mono	512k bytes (expandable to 8.5M)	Ethernet, serial, parallel	Can run simultaneously in a Token-Ring and an Ethernet LAN
Motorola Inc	Network Display Station	$2495	16-in. 1024×1024-pixels, Mono	2.5M bytes	Ethernet, serial	White phosphor CRT displays 105 dpi; 68000 μP
NCR Corp	XL X-Station	$3500	15-in. 1024×800-pixels, Mono	4M bytes	Ethernet, serial	Menu-driven set-up and configuration
Network Computing Devices	NCD19b	$2295	19-in. 1024×800-pixels, Mono	2M bytes (expandable to 5M)	Ethernet, serial	Runs as much as 3 times faster than DEC VT-1000 X-Window terminal
Tektronix Inc	Tekxpress	$3995	14-in. 1152×900-pixels, Color	3M bytes (expandable to 13M)	Ethernet	Options include A-size tablet; has 3-year warranty

Tektronixs. However, they are more expensive; Tekxpress terminals start at $3495. In contrast, Series 2000 workstation from Intergraph provides 2-D and 3-D graphics from $15,900.

Soup up your PC for X

If you already have an 80386- or 80486-based PC, you may want to consider integrating it into your company's X-Window network. Several software vendors offer graphical operating systems that permit your PC to access the X-Window System while preserving DOS functions.

Santa Cruz Operation sells Open Desktop, a $995 package that provides an Open Software Foundation Motif GUI. The company's Unix System integrates V/386 with MS-DOS. Age Inc recommends plugging a TMS340-based graphics controller into your PC and using its $595 program, Xoftware for Unix, to create an X11 workstation. Quarterdeck expects to release Desqview/X—a similar product with a DOS extender—before the end of 1990, which should cost about $250.



Sixteen- or nineteen-in. high-resolution screens *for Motorola X-Window workstations provide you with choices to fit your needs.*

With the proliferation of 80386- and 80486-CPU PCs, it's becoming impossible to make practical distinctions between the processing power of workstations and PCs. For example, for $7399 you can buy Dell Computer Corp's 425E, a 25-MHz bus-based PC with a 330M-byte hard-disk drive. Or for $3999 you can buy a 25-MHz, ISA-bus, ME-486-ISA from Micro Express. The Intel CPU on both machines provides a benchmark of about 20 MIPS.

However, you probably won't want to settle for a standard PC display because your CRT's resolution is critical in an X-Window environment. A monitor with less than a megapixel display will prove inadequate to the rigors of windowing. Off-the-shelf PCs offer no more than 640×480- or 1024×768-pixel VGA resolutions.

Because of the resource-consuming graphic and system manipulations necessary to run X-Window, an unmodified PC will spend more time dealing with the X-Window environment than running programs. To alleviate these display problems, you can use a graphics accelerator board to reduce the system demands on your PC's CPU.

Nth Graphics' accelerator board, X^{Nth} contains X-Window server software. As a result, you can switch between DOS and X-Window with a single keystroke. The

Table 2—X-Window workstations

Manufacturer	Model	Base price	CPU	Benchmarks	Display	System memory	I/O ports	Special features
Digital Equipment Corp	Decstation 5000 M200 CX	$14,995	25-MHz MIPS R3000	24 MIPS	19-in. 1024×864-pixels, mono	8M bytes (expands to 120M)	Ethernet	Turbochannel expansion bus; X-Window graphics subsystem
Hewlett-Packard	HP Apollo 9000 VRX	$15,000	33-MHz i860	66M floating-point operations/sec	19-in. 1280×1024-pixels, mono	8M bytes (expands to 64M)	Ethernet, SCSI, serial, parallel	Upgrade to 16 image planes and 270,000 3D vectors/sec
IBM Corp	RISC System/6000 Powerstation 320	$12,995	20-MHz power architecture	27.5 MIPS; 7.4M floating-point operations/sec	19-in. 1280×1024-pixels, mono	8M bytes (expands to 128M)	Ethernet, SCSI	Includes 355M-byte and 1.44M-byte drives; 8 MCA expansion slots
Intel Corp	Microsystem 3000	$11,495	25-MHz 80386	6 MIPS	19-in. 1660×1200-pixels, mono	8M bytes (expands to 40M)	Ethernet, SCSI, 2 serial, parallel	Includes 170M-byte drive, 80387 math coprocessor, 64k-byte cache
Intergraph Corp	Series 2000	$15,900	C300 Clipper	12.5 MIPS	19-in. 1184×884-pixels, color	16M-bytes (expands to 64M)	XNS & TCP/IP, SCSI, 3 serial, parallel	Includes 200M-byte hard disk drive and 1.44M-byte floppy-disk drive
Mars Microsystems	Mariner 4i	$5995	25-MHz Sparc	16.8 MIPS	16-in. 1024×768-pixels, mono	8M bytes (expands to 96M)	Ethernet, 2 serial	Uses ISA bus; optional 80386 module lets you run DOS applications
Solbourne Computer Inc	S4000	$8995	40-MHz Sparc	25.5 MIPS	19-in. 1152×900-pixels, mono	8M bytes (expands to 64M)	2 serial, 1 audio	Optional graphics accelerator adds hardware support for PEX
Sun Microsystems	Sparcstation SLC	$4995	20-MHz Sparc	12.5 MIPS; 1.2M floating-point operations/sec	17-in. 1152×900-pixels, mono, 100 dpi	8M bytes (expands to 16M)	Ethernet, SCSI, 2 serial	No base unit; CPU components housed in display
Tektronix Inc	XD88/35	$31,995	25-MHz 88100	21 MIPS; 2.5M floating-point operations/sec	16-in. 1280×1024-pixels, color	8M bytes (expands to 168M)	Ethernet, SCSI, 4 serial, parallel	Includes image processing and accelerated 3D graphics

board contains a 10-MIPS CPU and three custom graphics μPs. Modules are available for both IBM PC/AT and EISA buses. X^{Nth} is $1995 with 1024×768-pixel resolution or $2995 for 1280×1024 pixels.

Of course, you should carefully weigh the relative costs of your alternatives. Unless you currently own a PC that you can upgrade to an X-Window-compatible workstation, it would probably be more cost effective to purchase a fully configured workstation than to build your own on a PC chassis from commercially available components. This fact is especially true since so many vendors offer X-Window-compatible workstations with greater processing power than PCs provide.

Even chip-maker Intel has entered the workstation arena by offering X-Window-compatible workstations for OEMs based on the company's 80386 and 80486 μPs. Rival IC manufacturer Motorola is also producing a series of RISC-based X-Window hosts under the name Multipersonal Computer. Prices range from $23,985 for a configuration that accommodates three to six active terminals.

Whether you decide to go with

GUI wars make a mess of X-Window

Although the X-Window system provides a stable platform for applications using a graphical user interface (GUI), a battle is raging between proponents of two interfaces: Open Software Foundation's (OSF) Motif and Unix International's Open Look. The X-Window system is different from other windowing environments because it does not include a window manager. Accordingly, the window manager provided by the GUI you select will determine the appearance and behavior (or look-and-feel) of the applications you run and the way in which you interact with the operating system.

X/Open, an international consortium formed in 1984 to specify open-system requirements based on de facto industry standards, has declined to pledge its allegiance to either GUI—at least for the moment. Part of the organization's problem is that both Unix International and OSF are active members.

IBM, Digital Equipment Corp (DEC), Hewlett-Packard (HP) and several other vendors formed OSF in May 1988 as a neutral supplier of hardware-independent, open-system software technologies. OSF selected Aix (IBM's version of Unix) as the basis for an operating system called OSF/1, which uses a modular Unix kernel. OSF then defined the Motif interface, which behaves similarly to IBM's OS/2 Presentation Manager, but includes a 3-D look developed by HP and a tool kit of dialog boxes, scroll bars, and buttons (provided by DEC and HP). Even more notable, Motif-based software can run on non-Unix systems that have a compatible tool kit. Texas Instruments expects to announce an X-compatible workstation this year that uses the Motif GUI.

In contrast, Unix International has elected to standardize a version of Unix that combines Berkeley Unix and AT&T's System V Unix, a move spearheaded by Sun and AT&T. Unix International operates as a membership-run industry trade association to plan and develop future versions of Unix. Sun developed the Open Look GUI, which Unix International endorsed in April 1988. When you purchase AT&T's Unix System version 4, you get Open Look for no additional charge. Open Look runs on more than 20 hardware platforms from vendors such as Sun, DEC, HP, and IBM.

Although both Open Look and Motif comply with X/Open guidelines and have comparable features, the two interfaces remain incompatible. Both GUIs include window managers, graphical tool kits, and file managers. Because the internal functions of these GUIs are quite similar, technical differences arise mainly in the look-and-feel of the two interfaces.

As a result, there are only a few off-the-shelf software applications for both interfaces. For example, in July, Graytech Software proclaimed that its $2950 CAD X11 software was the first available workstation-independent CAD program running under X-Window. Just as in the early days of PCs, the most prudent way to select a GUI is to find an application program you like and then adopt the interface recommended by the vendor. However, X-Window philosophy dictates that client applications should not depend upon the presence of any particular window manager. So as the number of available applications grow, expect your choice of GUIs to be more a matter of personal preference than technical necessity.

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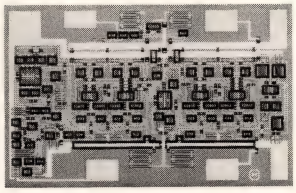

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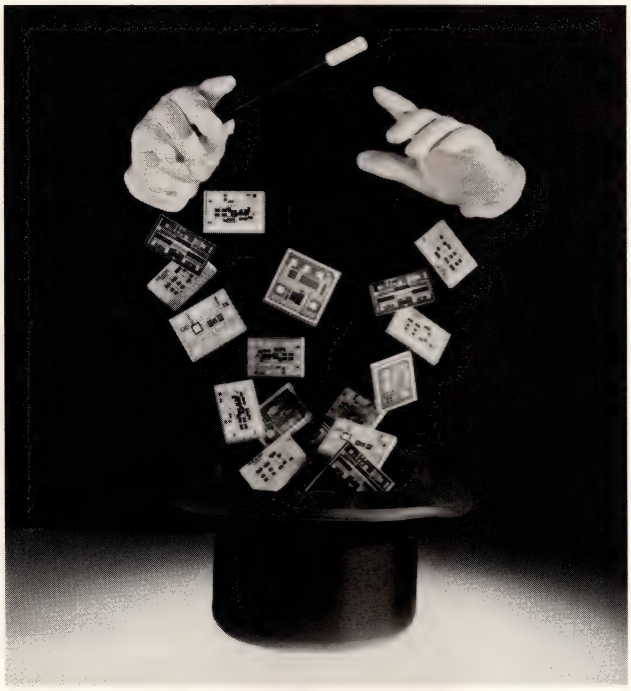

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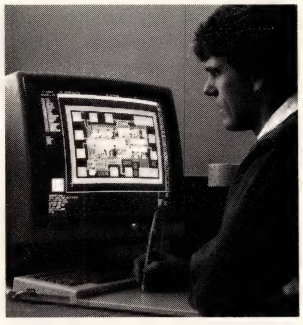

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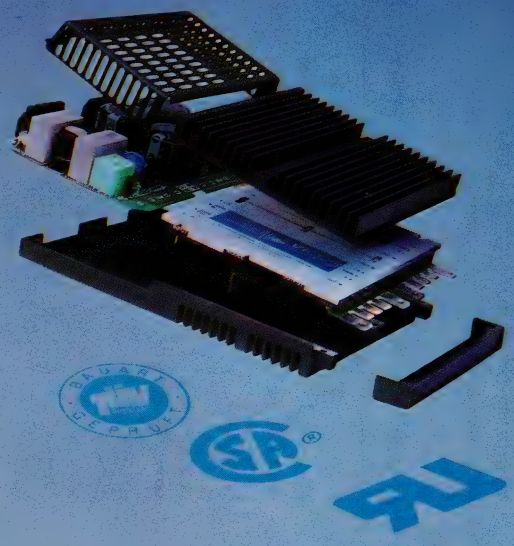

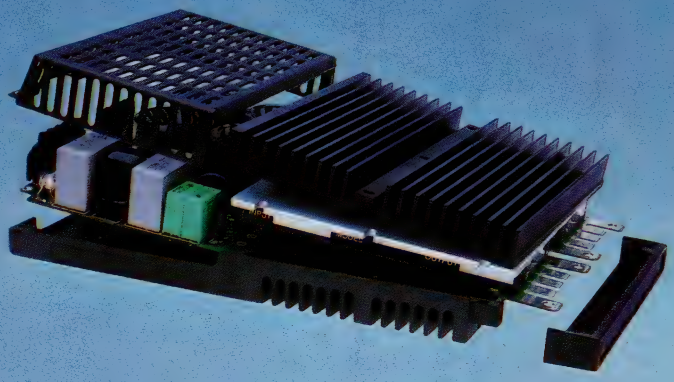

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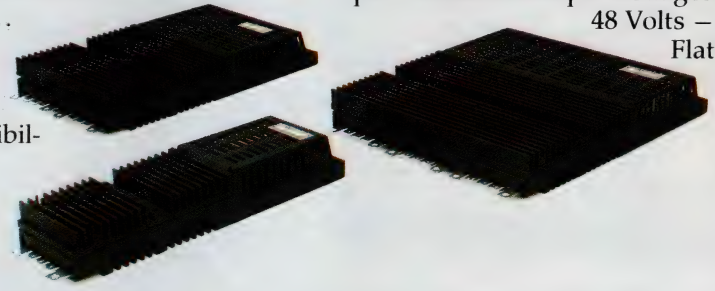

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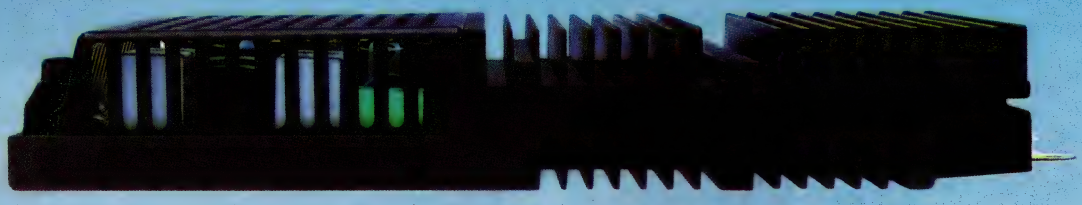

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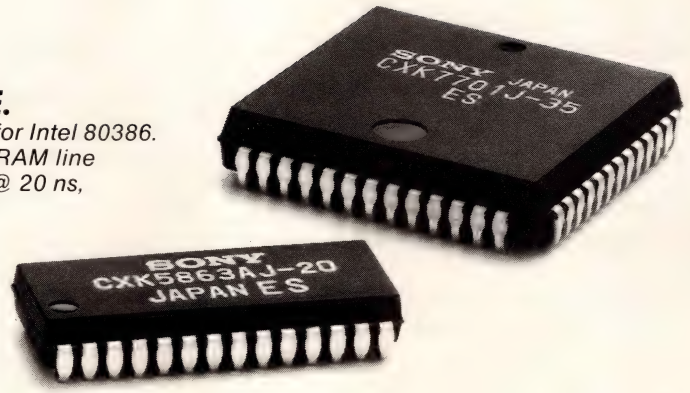

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CXK5466P CXK5466J	16K x 4 16K x 4	15/20 15/20	DIP 300 mil SOJ 300 mil
CXK5467P** CXK5467J**	16K x 4 16K x 4	15/20 15/20	DIP 300 mil SOJ 300 mil
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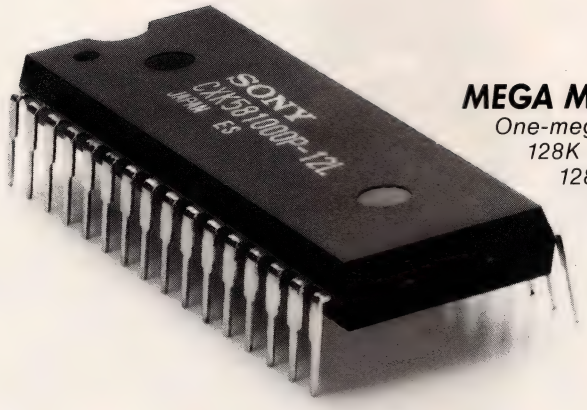

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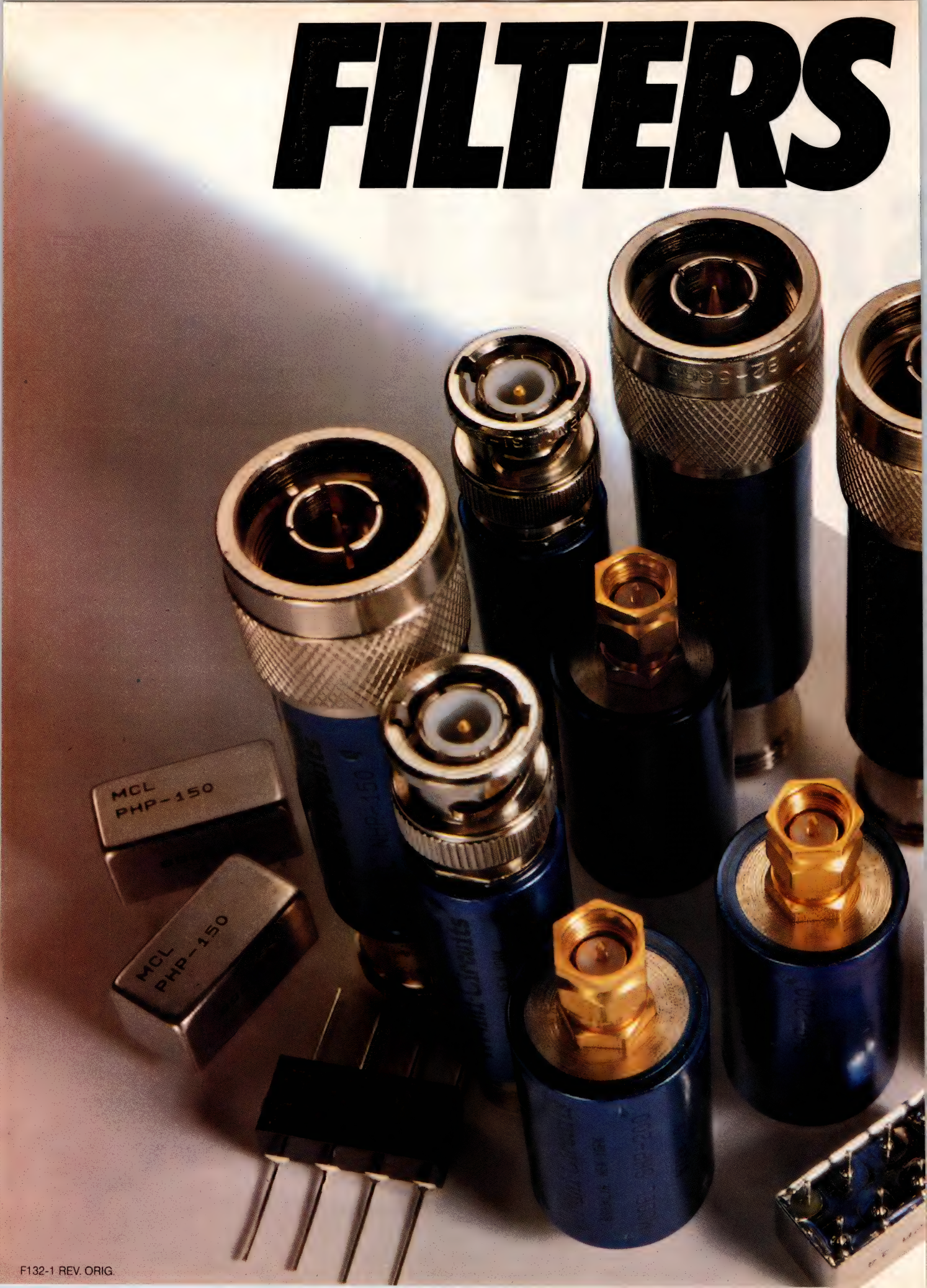

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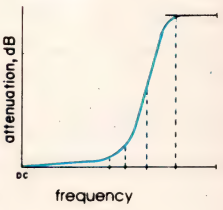

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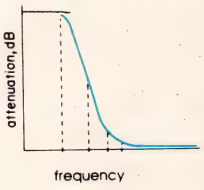

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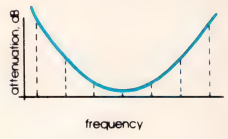

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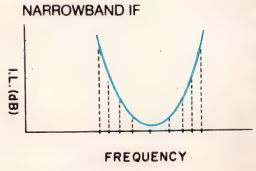

low pass dc to 1200MHz

MODEL NO.	PASSBAND, MHz (loss <1dB) Min.	fco, MHz (loss 3db) Nom.	STOP BAND, MHz (loss>20dB) Max.	(loss>40dB) Max.	Min.	VSWR pass-band typ.	VSWR stop-band typ.	PRICE $ Qty. (1-9)
PLP-10.7	DC-11	14	19	24	200	1.7	18	11.45
PLP-21.4	DC-22	24.5	32	41	200	1.7	18	11.45
PLP-30	DC-32	35	47	61	200	1.7	18	11.45
PLP-50	DC-48	55	70	90	200	1.7	18	11.45
PLP-70	DC-60	67	90	117	300	1.7	18	11.45
PLP-100	DC-98	108	146	189	400	1.7	18	11.45
PLP-150	DC-140	155	210	300	600	1.7	18	11.45
PLP-200	DC-190	210	290	390	800	1.7	18	11.45
PLP-250	DC-225	250	320	400	1200	1.7	18	11.45
PLP-300	DC-270	297	410	550	1200	1.7	18	11.45
PLP-450	DC-400	440	580	750	1800	1.7	18	11.45
PLP-550	DC-520	570	750	920	2000	1.7	18	11.45
PLP-600	DC-580	640	840	1120	2000	1.7	18	11.45
PLP-750	DC-700	770	1000	1300	2000	1.7	18	11.45
PLP-800	DC-720	800	1080	1400	2000	1.7	18	11.45
PLP-850	DC-780	850	1100	1400	2000	1.7	18	11.45
PLP-1000	DC-900	990	1340	1750	2000	1.7	18	11.45
PLP-1200	DC-1000	1200	1620	2100	2500	1.7	18	11.45

high pass dc to 2500MHz

MODEL NO.	PASSBAND, MHz (loss <1dB) Min.	Min.	fco, MHz (loss 3db) Nom.	STOP BAND, MHz (loss>20dB) Min.	(loss>40dB) Min.	VSWR pass-band typ.	VSWR stop-band typ.	PRICE $ Qty. (1-9)
PHP-50	41	200	37	26	20	1.5	17	14.95
PHP-100	90	400	82	55	40	1.5	17	14.95
PHP-150	133	600	120	95	70	1.8	17	14.95
PHP-175	160	800	140	105	70	1.5	17	14.95
PHP-200	185	800	164	116	90	1.6	17	14.95
PHP-250	225	1200	205	150	100	1.3	17	14.95
PHP-300	290	1200	245	190	145	1.7	17	14.95
PHP-400	395	1600	360	290	210	1.7	17	14.95
PHP-500	500	1600	454	365	280	1.9	17	14.95
PHP-600	600	1600	545	440	350	2.0	17	14.95
PHP-700	700	1800	640	520	400	1.6	17	14.95
PHP-800	780	2000	710	570	445	2.1	17	14.95
PHP-900	910	2100	820	660	520	1.8	17	14.95
PHP-1000	1000	2200	900	720	550	1.9	17	14.95

bandpass 20 to 70MHz

MODEL NO.	CENTER FREQ. MHz F0	PASS BAND, MHz (loss <1dB) Max. F1	Min. F2	STOP BAND, MHz (loss > 10 dB) Min. F3	Max. F4	(loss > 20 dB) Min. F5	Max. F6	VSWR 1.3:1 typ. total band MHz	PRICE $ Qty. (1-9)
PIF-21.4	21.4	18	25	4.9	85	1.3	150	DC-220	14.95
PIF-30	30	25	35	7	120	1.9	210	DC-330	14.95
PIF-40	42	35	49	10	168	2.6	300	DC-400	14.95
PIF-50	50	41	58	11.5	200	3.1	350	DC-440	14.95
PIF-60	60	50	70	14	240	3.8	400	DC-500	14.95
PIF-70	70	58	82	16	280	4.4	490	DC-550	14.95

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PBP-10.7	10.7	9.5-11.5	7.5	15	0.6	50-1000	1.7	18.95
PBP-21.4	21.4	19.2-23.6	15.5	29	3.0	80-1000	1.7	18.95
PBP-30	30.0	27.0-33.0	22	40	3.2	99-1000	1.7	18.95
PBP-60	60.0	55.0-67.0	44	79	4.6	190-1000	1.7	18.95
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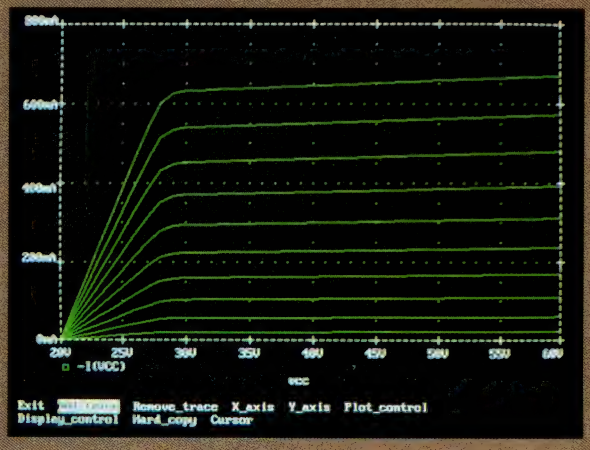

I-V curves of a triode vacuum tube

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The Analog Behavioral Modeling option for the PSpice Circuit Analysis package allows you to describe analog components, or entire circuit blocks, using a formula or look-up table. Linear blocks may be described using either a Laplace transform or a frequency response table. Once defined, you can use these blocks in all PSpice analyses, including DC, AC, and transient.

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CIRCLE NO. 99

80386 in-circuit emulator downloads 250k bytes/sec via fiber-optic link

The price of the CodeStalker 386 in-circuit emulator (ICE) should raise eyebrows. At $9995, this ICE costs only a third as much as some in-circuit emulators for Intel's 80386 μP. This price includes support of real-time trace and 33-MHz operation of the target system. Although in a few areas the ICE's features have been scaled back to hold its price down, the instrument's capabilities meet the needs of the majority of designers who build systems around Intel's popular 32-bit processor. Unlike some low-cost debugging tools, the product is not an adjunct to an ICE—it is an ICE.

In one very important area, the ICE gives ground to no product: It downloads code from a host PC at a transfer rate of 250k bytes/sec. This speed results from a host-to-emulator fiber-optic link. Using the link, a host PC can fill the ICE's 448k-byte emulation memory in less than 2 sec. Moreover, the link's ohmic isolation eliminates the possibility of either the target or the emulator injecting noise into the other unit.

Using the optical link requires that you plug an interface card into the host PC's I/O bus. If you don't choose to do so, you can connect the ICE to a PC or an ASCII terminal via a 19.2k-bps RS-232C link. This link runs at the same speed as the host links of many other ICEs—less than 1% of the speed of the optical link. You don't use a terminal link for downloading, so, with a terminal, RS-232C's lower speed is not a handicap. Compared with traditional methods, the optical link speeds downloads by a factor of more than 100.

***A fiber-optic link makes waiting** for downloads a thing of the past with the $9995 CodeStalker 386 in-circuit emulator.*

The unit's real-time trace capability is good, but not astounding. The trace buffer holds 4k 32-bit frames. For each of the four hardware breakpoints, you can specify a breakpoint address and cycle type. Although the hardware doesn't support complex breakpoints, the ICE does support an unlimited number of software breakpoints. Furthermore, the emulator offers a "background" mode of program operation. In this mode, the target system's DMA and interrupt routines remain active even when the ICE has halted operation of the main program.

The ICE is housed in a small enclosure with the pod projecting from it on short ribbon cables. The 80386 emulation processor is mounted in a special socket on the pod. The socket has pins that project out the back of the pod board and plug into the target system's μP socket. If your target presents data to the μP's data lines at times other than when a valid address strobe exists, you can interpose a buffer board between the pod and the target. Then, instead of just plugging in the pod, you plug a 2-board sandwich into the target. The buffer board adds 6 nsec of delay. It is included in the price of the ICE, and the vendor ships one with each unit.

Also included is the vendor's source-level debugger, which is enhanced to work with the fiber-optic link. The debugger permits downloads at the link's full speed. It works with C compilers from Borland, Microsoft, Manx, Intel, and others. Production shipments of the ICE are scheduled to begin December 15, 1990.

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DSP boards for Macintosh II and SE CPUs target graphics and modeling applications

The MacDSP family of three boards for the Apple Macintosh IIx, IIcx, IIci, IIfx, and SE/30 computers targets computationally intensive applications such as DSP, array processing, and graphics. The boards interface to the systems through Nubus or the Macintosh PDS (Processor Direct Slot). They include a 5M-byte/sec DMA bus interface that enables programs and data to be transferred between the Macintosh and MacDSP local memory without interrupting MacDSP program execution.

The MacDSP boards include AT&T's 32-bit DSP32C, which features a peak performance of 32M flops. The boards include up to 4M bytes of zero-wait-state static RAM, and are available with up to eight A/D channels. In standard benchmarks, the products execute algorithms for a 1k real FFT in 1.66 msec, a 128-tap FIR filter in 8.56 μsec, a 5×5 matrix multiply in 8.32 μsec, and a 256×256 convolution (9×9 kernel) in 0.71 msec.

The first member of the family, known as MacDSPAP, targets memory-intensive array processing applications such as image processing, 3-D modeling, graphic animation, and Postscript acceleration. The board offers peak performance of 32M flops and includes 64k to 1M bytes of zero-wait-state SRAM. You can buy the board with either Nubus or PDS interfaces; it supports a total of six internal and external interrupts.

The next member, the MacDSPXI, suits cost-sensitive signal-processing applications. The board includes 16-bit A/D and D/A converters with sample rates of 128 kHz. The 24M-flops board also includes 64k to 1M bytes of zero-wait-state SRAM. You can also specify this board with Nubus or PDS interfaces, and it includes two 16M-bit/sec serial DMA ports.

The third member of the family, the MacDSPXKC, targets multichannel signal- and image-processing applications such as speech recognition, robotics, and medical instrumentation. The board only fits in Macintosh II family computers and employs a modular architecture based on daughter cards. The board includes 64k bytes to 4M bytes of zero-wait-state SRAM and 1, 2, or 8 A/D channels with sample rates as high as 1 MHz. The product has a Nubus interface and two 16M-bit/sec serial DMA ports.

A C-language development system for the boards includes a compiler, assembler, simulator, and linker. The tools run under Apple's Macintosh Programmer's Workshop. You can also buy the company's Version 2.0 signal-analysis package for the board family. Based on the Macintosh interface, the software enables users to acquire data, operate on that data using a variety of signal-processing functions, and display the results in real time.

Release 2.0 enhancements include overlapped FFTs that boost time-bandwidth resolution, and continuous data processing that enhances signal detection and eliminates missing data samples. Release 2.0 can also send data that has been processed on board to a D/A converter for audio output; provides enhanced cursor measurement; and scrolls through captured data frame by frame or sample by sample.

With 1M bytes of memory, a 32M-flop version of the MacDSPAP costs $4995. A 24M-flop version of the MacDSPXI with 64k bytes of memory costs $2895. And the 256k-byte 32M-flop version of the MacDSPXKC costs $2895. All three boards are available immediately from stock. Upgrades to version 2.0 of the MacDSP software are free; for new users, the software costs $495. The C-language development environment costs $1500.

—Maury Wright

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WHAT'S COMING IN EDN

EDN Magazine's December 6, 1990, issue will begin the second part of our semiannual Product Showcase. The issue's staff-written features will cover ICs in laptops, video games, phones, and avionics; distributed power systems; active cooling devices; and DSP software and applications. The issue will also include reviews of ICs and semiconductors, power sources, hardware, and software.

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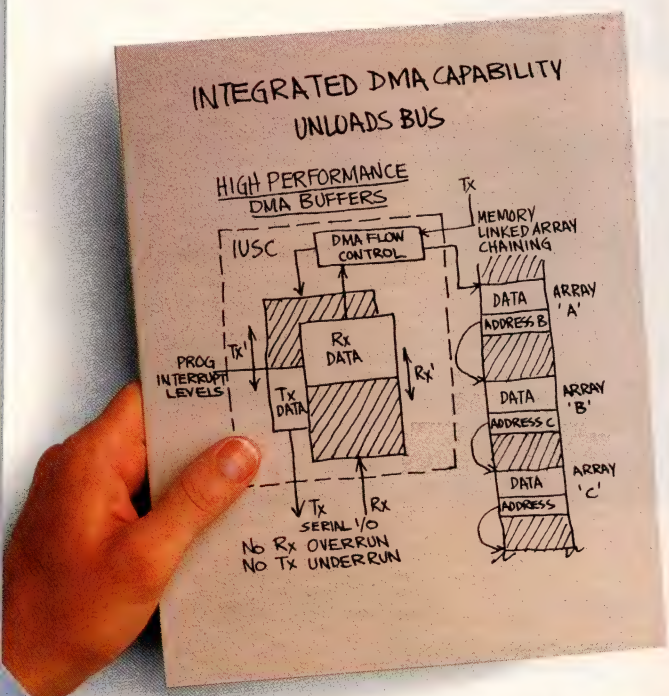

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Zilog's USC cell gives you 10 Mbits/sec speed for multi-protocol operation. It also gives you 32-byte RX and TX FIFOs for improved latency and up to 32-byte block moves. There's a Time Slot Assigner for multiplexing in ISDN/TI applications, a flexible 16-bit bus interface — multiplexed or non-multiplexed — for easy CPU interconnect, and a daisy-chain interrupt structure for simpler interrupt handling. And, best of all, the USC can reduce the CPU workload as much as *60%*.

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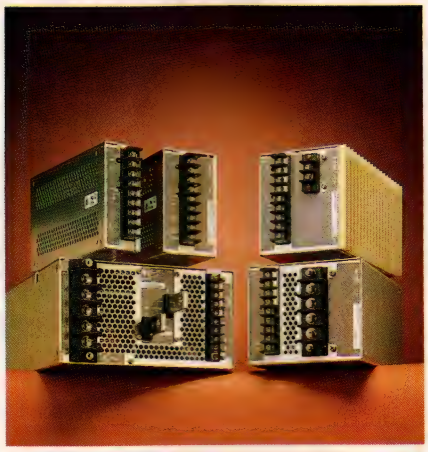

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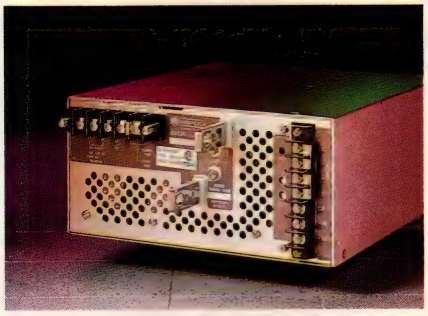

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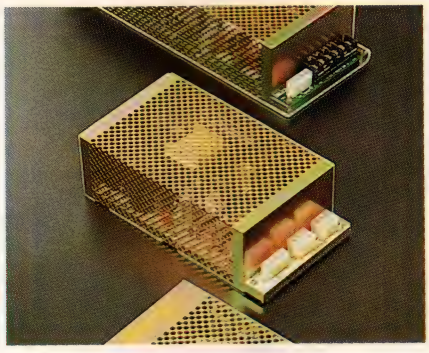

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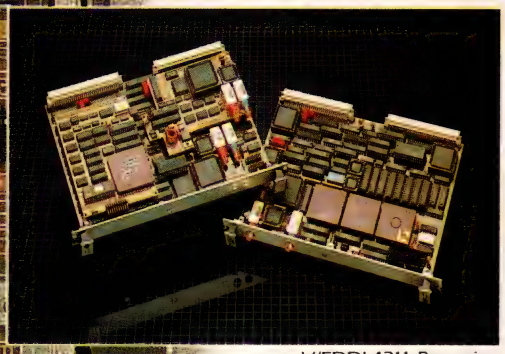

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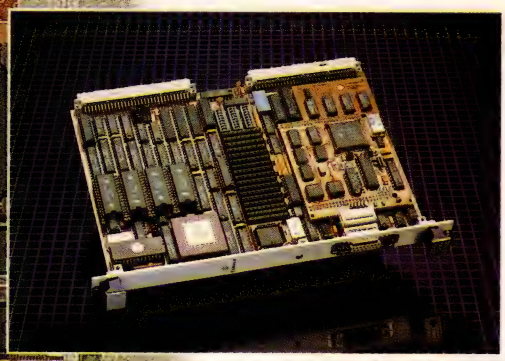

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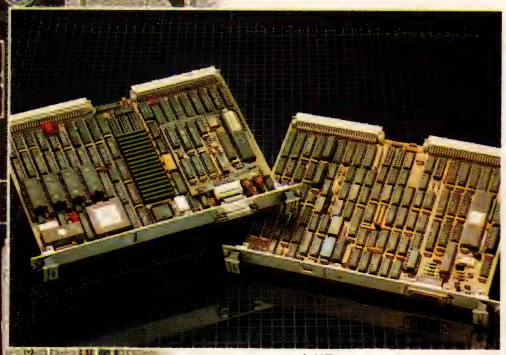

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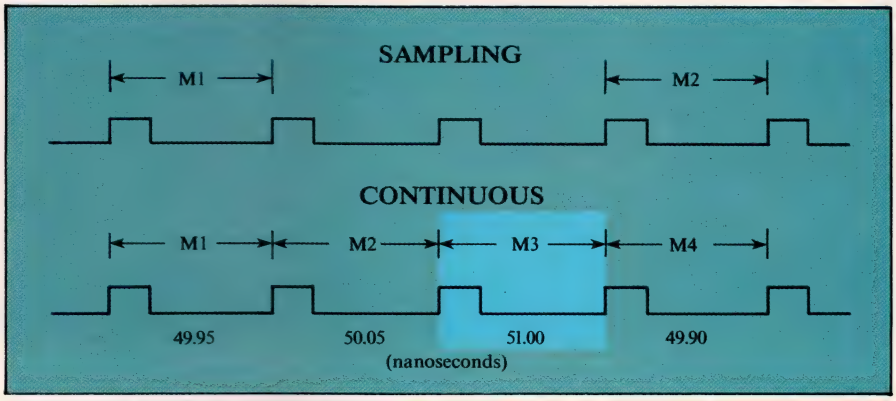

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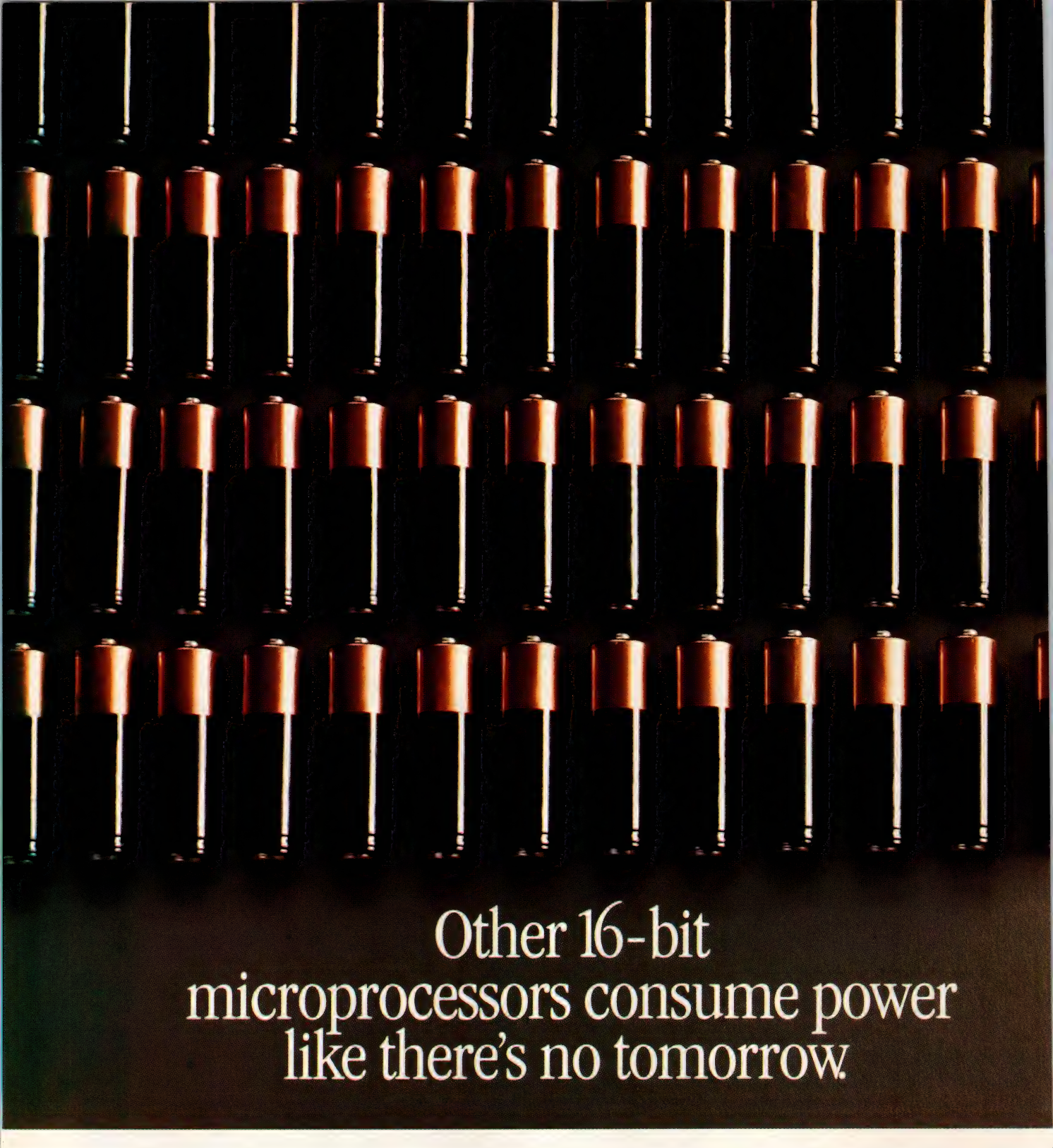

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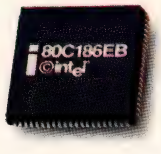

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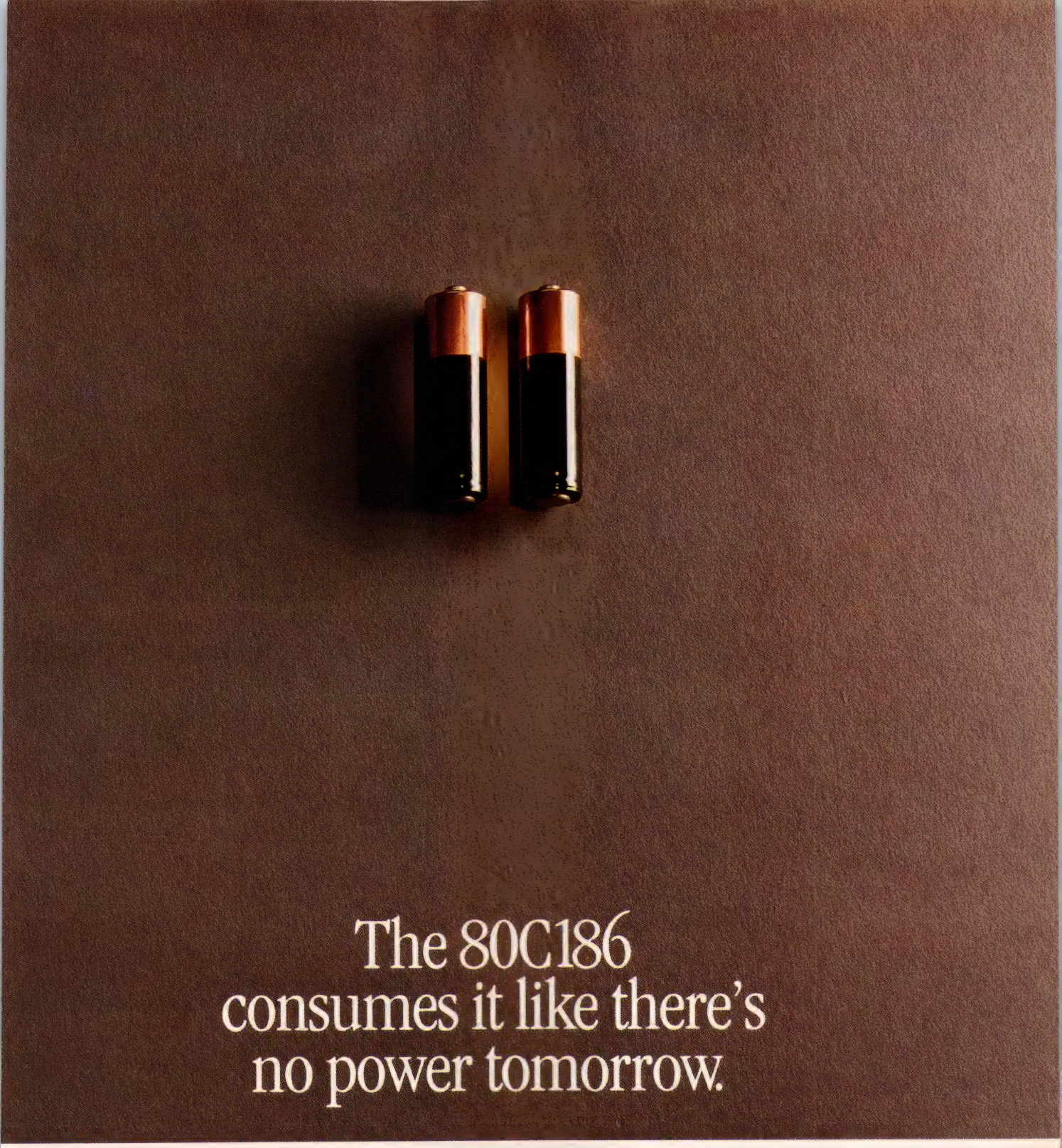

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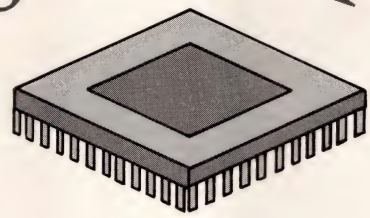


Benchmarks don't have to be confusing and deceptive. Application code that bears a resemblance to your software, consistently applied across a range of similarly configured microprocessor-based systems, can be useful in selecting your hardware.

Michael C Markowitz, *Associate Editor*

Most microprocessor vendors use benchmarks as a drunken man uses lampposts—for support rather than illumination.

—Adapted from Andrew Lang, Scottish author

There are three kinds of lies: lies, damned lies, and benchmarks.

—Adapted from Benjamin Disraeli, British statesman

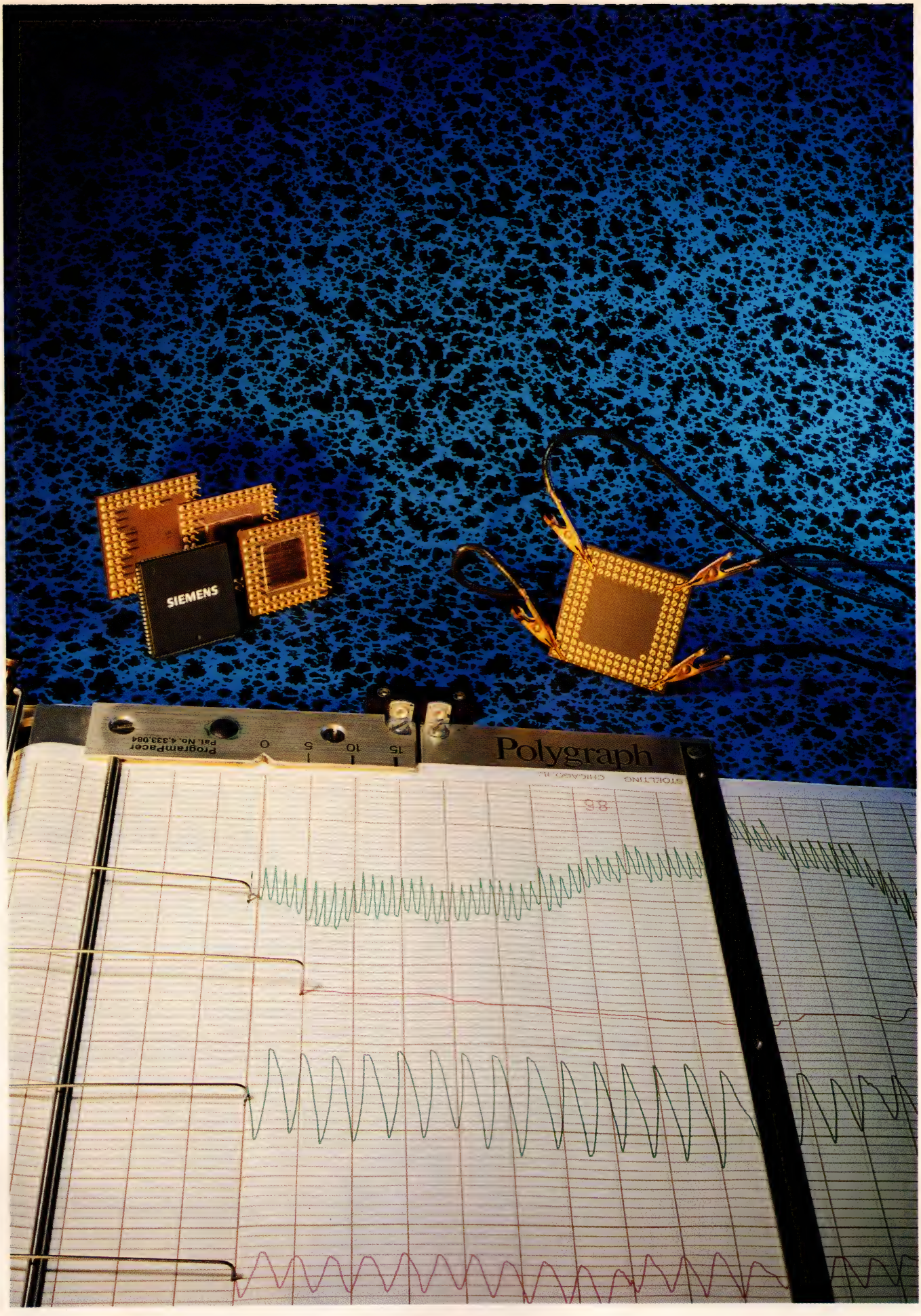
Benchmarks can help you pick from among a multitude of microprocessors and microcontrollers. Unfortunately, to simplify choosing a µP, benchmarks have become a single-number figure of merit for both vendors and designers. This number is—at best—confusing and—at worst—deceiving.

The Systems Performance Evaluation Cooperative (SPEC), a consortium of computer and workstation vendors, was established to develop a suite of consistent and well-defined benchmarks. SPEC has recommended that you not use a single-number figure of merit because it can't provide enough information. Despite SPEC's urgings, users, vendors, and the press have endeavored to make SPEC's 10-benchmark suite more palatable by simplifying the benchmarks into a single figure of merit. In recognition of our tendencies toward simplification, SPEC provided the Specmark (calculated as the geometric mean of the individual benchmark tests) to ensure that the "proper" single number be used—or misused.

Consider the vaunted IBM RS/6000 workstation, powered by IBM's America superscalar microprocessor. (Because IBM isn't making this microprocessor available at the chip level, we've excluded it from our directory.) This µP fetches four instructions at a time from its cache. Under certain circumstances, the processor can dispatch all four instructions in one cycle.

At the workstation roll-out, IBM proudly pointed to a workstation Specmark almost double that of other RISC-processor-powered workstations. Closer inspection of the individual SPEC benchmarks that constitute the Specmark reveals that the IBM workstation's performance is most impressive in two of the floating-point

Although benchmarks can provide useful information, they don't always tell the whole truth. (Photo courtesy Siemens Components Inc)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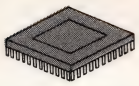

Remember that what you want from a benchmark and what the vendor wants from a benchmark are not the same.

performance tests. Integer performance, though, is comparable to other RISC workstation benchmarks (**Fig 1**). IBM uses a floating-point multiply/accumulate instruction to enhance the execution of many floating-point applications.

Supplementing a microprocessor's instruction set with a special-purpose instruction isn't necessarily bad. If the code you are trying to run uses that particular instruction, you'll get higher performance. On the other hand, if you blindly accept a vendor's performance claims, you may end up selecting a processor optimized for operations you'll never use.

Benchmarks can confuse or illuminate

Getting vendors to provide you with multiple benchmark results only eliminates part of the confusion. When Intel announced its 80960CA superscalar, it compared the μP against its own 80960KA, Motorola's 68030, and AMD's 29000 using a suite of nine integer benchmarks (Dhrystone 1.1, Buffer Copy, Annealing, Pi, Quicksort, Bubblesort, Integer Matrix Multiply, CCITT Image Compression, and a Bezier Curve calculation).

Intel reported all results normalized to the 68030. The benchmarks showed the 960CA to be from 2 to 10.8 times faster than the 68030. The geometric mean of all nine benchmark programs indicated the 960CA was 3.9 times faster than the 68030. The 29000 results ranged from 0.4 to 1.7 times faster than the 68030, with a geometric mean of 1.0.

A knockout by the 960CA, right? Maybe, but AMD

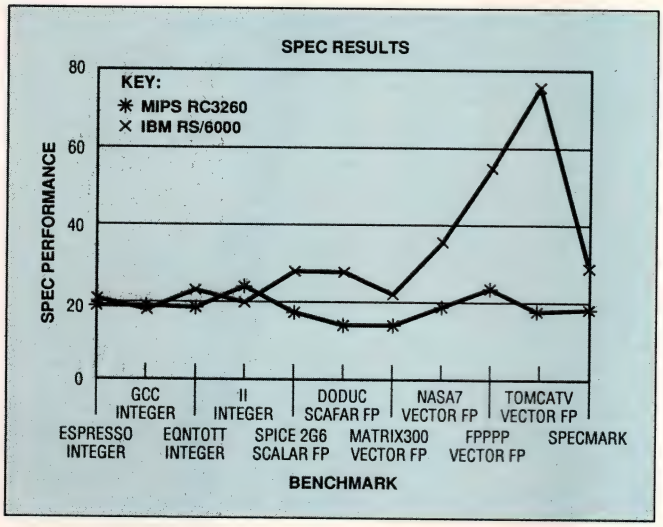

Fig 1—If you look only at the Specmark, you may be disappointed. Whereas IBM's RS6000/530 has a Specmark of 28.9 vs Mips Computers' RC3260's 18.3, this reorganized graph makes it clear that vector-floating-point applications is where the IBM workstation shines. Integer performance—such as you'd see running Unix—is comparable between the IBM and Mips machines.

said the 29000 had both hands tied behind its back. AMD claimed the benchmark was rigged by Intel's choice of the STEB Standalone Evaluation Board. AMD said the board is a low-performance design that supports neither burst-memory accesses nor simultaneous access to instructions and data. Worse, AMD charged that, although Intel replaced the board's 120-nsec memory with the same 35-nsec chips they used in evaluating the 960KA, Intel did not reprogram the board's wait-state switches to take advantage of the 29000 board's faster memory.

In response to what they saw as improper benchmarking, AMD requested copies of the individual programs from Intel. AMD then recompiled the code using the current release of its HighC29K C compiler at full optimization. (Intel's report did not say which compiler version it used.) Then the company reran the code on the STEB board, as well as on three high-performance YARC Systems' 29000-based boards. One of the YARC boards ran at 33 MHz and had a data memory of 512k bits of 2-way interleaved 35-nsec static RAM. AMD's testing showed the 33-MHz, 29000-based YARC board was somewhat faster than the 960CA on most of the benchmarks—even though you can't buy a 33-MHz 29000.

Benchmarks measure the whole system

The lesson to learn from the 960CA vs 29000 contest is that benchmarks don't just evaluate the μP's performance, they also measure the effect of all of the peripheral components. Therefore, it is imperative that when you see benchmark data, you ask about the hardware configuration, clock rates, and memory speeds—and make sure programmable features, such as wait-state switches, are set properly. Fortunately, as feature sizes shrink, caches and data RAM are migrating onto the processor, making specsmanship of this sort less prevalent.

However, using simulations to benchmark performance will never disappear. Intergraph recently announced its Clipper C4 μP and "Fourth-Generation" compiler. As a superscalar design, the C4 contains both integer and floating-point execution units to allow the processor to issue two instructions per cycle. The design also includes pipeline stages within the floating-point unit so the μP can run faster—a technique called superpipelining.

When testing time came, the actual devices weren't available. So Intergraph decided to simulate small segments of the SPEC benchmarks that they believe are representative of integer, scalar floating-point, and vector floating-point applications. They used 23 in-

structions from the Espresso routine for the integer benchmark. The scalar floating-point benchmark was composed of 21 instructions from the Spice program. To measure vector floating-point performance, they used 34 instructions from the inner loop of the Linpack benchmark.

Running on the C4 software model at 50 MHz, these snippets of simulated code allow Intergraph to claim a peak performance of 94 MIPS and 33.3M floating-point operations per second (flops) by executing 1.88 Linpack-inner-loop instructions per clock. Better still, the company uses these results to compare performance to two other theoretical machines: a pure superpipelined and a pure superscalar machine. To achieve 94 MIPS and 33.3M flops performance, a "pure superpipelined machine" that executes 1 instruction per cycle would have to run at 94 MHz. Alternatively, a "pure superscalar machine" running at 25 MHz would have to execute 3.7 Linpack-inner-loop instructions per clock. While all this sounds pretty impressive, you must remember whence these numbers originate.

The C4 example demonstrates that small benchmarks are even easier to manipulate than large ones. Dhrystone is a small standard benchmark that has been abused almost to the point of being meaningless. Rumors abound about compilers that sense Dhrystone source code and output canned, hand-optimized executable programs. Since the Dhrystone benchmark is small, it also fits neatly into a 16k-byte cache, eliminating time-consuming cache misses. And, the Dhrystone benchmark spends 30 to 35% of its run time doing string copies and string compares, often ignoring the results. Therefore, compilers that sense when computation results aren't subsequently used can skip instructions and grossly skew benchmarks.

Software improves hardware performance

Tuning optimizing compilers is fair game. If a vendor finds execution bottlenecks and adjusts his compilers, obviously the benchmark code will execute faster. These optimization decisions may be at the expense of typical code, however. For example, vendors can rewrite run-time libraries with the Dhrystone character-string manipulation in mind. Then, they adjust the optimizing-routine selection instructions to favor benchmarking code.

SPEC's 10 benchmarks come close to being a "good" set. But even these benchmarks, developed by representatives from many system and workstation vendors, are imperfect. First, they are system benchmarks. Any extrapolation to any one component—microprocessor included—is dangerous.

Second, the SPEC benchmarks were selected and written to eliminate caching the program in fast memory. These benchmarks were larger than 32k bytes because, at the time they were selected, system caches were smaller than 32k bytes. Today, there are systems with 512k-byte caches. If your programs are larger than 512k bytes, the SPEC benchmark results may not represent the performance you are likely to see with your code.

Third, because the SPEC benchmarks only measure CPU and memory performance, they ignore I/O, graphics, and multitasking. Some embedded applications have little use for these features, but other applications might be I/O- or graphics-bound—and the wrong time to find out is after you've committed your design.

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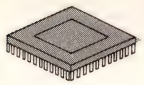

If possible, get the vendors to benchmark all or part of your application code.

freely distributable set of benchmarks to the market quickly. There was fast agreement among the members that a Spice simulation offered a useful, universal measure of scalar floating-point performance. However, according to John Mashey, Vice President of Systems Technology at Mips Computer Systems and SPEC committee member, the Spice input deck included in the benchmark suite was supplied by Hewlett-Packard and

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wasn't examined by the organization. Mashey laments that this Spice deck isn't as floating-point intensive as a typical Spice run.

Finally, the last problem with the SPEC benchmarks—indeed with any benchmarks—is that as the computers and systems get more powerful, the benchmarks take less and less time to run. Eventually, the time measurements of each program vanish into the

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noise of the system. Whereas the total reference run time on the VAX-11/780 was almost 19 hours, IBM's RS6000 ran the timed portion of the benchmarks in just over 39 minutes.

SPEC's next software revision will push the capabilities of the coming generation of systems. The organization also hopes to include benchmarks to measure I/O performance. Of course, revising its benchmarks will just provide a new target for the microprocessor and system vendors. And, vendors might try to play the old-revision game (use old-revision results if they are more favorable to your goals). As difficult as it may be, SPEC should attempt to move the targets far enough out that it might take four or five generations of systems to make the benchmarks obsolete.

As with many consumables, let the buyer beware. Manufacturers can get benchmarks to say anything they want. General Motors could claim their cars get 60 miles per gallon—by letting the engine idle and rolling the car down a long hill. Fortunately, the Environmental Protection Agency acts as an independent watchdog, performing uniform tests to ensure consistency. The engineering community has no such *independent* watchdog. SPEC, chartered to develop consistent tests, is largely a case of the fox guarding the chicken coop.

Mashey disagrees with that characterization of SPEC. Rather, he sees a bunch of foxes guarding one chicken—each wanting to make sure the other foxes don't get his dinner. SPEC is a consortium composed largely of vendors. It doesn't have to be that way. You can and should get involved in creating the benchmarks and monitoring the results by contacting SPEC, c/o Waterside Associates, 39510 Paseo Padre Pkwy, Suite 350, Fremont, CA 94358. (415) 792-2901. EDN

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COP800

8-BIT CMOS

AVAILABILITY: Now.
COST: Less than $1 to $5 for standard parts in high volume.
SECOND SOURCE: Sierra Semiconductor.
CORE: Sierra uses the COP800 core for custom designs. National designs with a configurable-controller approach using a set of microcontroller building blocks.

Description: 8-bit CMOS single-chip family in which varying amounts of memory, peripheral functions, and I/O surround a purposely simple core µP. Some 20 parts exist. Initial core has provision for addressing 32k-byte program memory. The program and data memory are treated separately so the COP800 has a Harvard architecture.

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Status: Having gained one of the leadership positions in the 4-bit microcontroller field with its COP400 and 16-bit HPC, National introduced this 8-bit controller to fill the gap between those two devices. The architecture of the core µP seems quite simple—a bit like the Motorola 6805. The core-based parts, built on National's double-metal process, are shrinkable to submicron levels.

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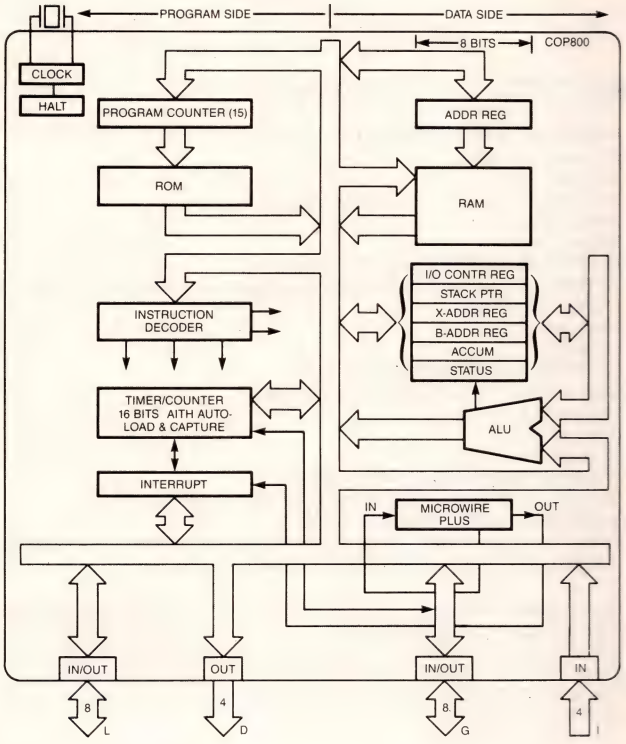

Industrial version (−40 to +85°C)	ROM/EPROM/ EEPROM (bytes)	RAM (bytes)	I/O pins	Interrupt	Timer base counters	Size (pins)	Other
COP820C	1.0k	64	24	3 sources	1	28	
COP821C	1.0k	64	20	3 sources	1	24	
COP822C	1.0k	64	16	3 sources	1	20	
COP8640	2.0k	64	24	3 sources	1	28	64×8-bit
COP8641	2.0k	64	20	3 sources	1	24	EEPROM
COP8642	2.0k	64	16	3 sources	1	20	in RAM
COP8620	1.0k	64	24	3 sources	1	28	64×8-bit
COP8621	1.0k	64	20	3 sources	1	24	EEPROM
COP8622	1.0k	64	16	3 sources	1	20	in RAM
COP8720C	1.0k EEPROM	64	24	3 sources	1	28	64×8-bit EEPROM in RAM
COP8721C	1.0k EEPROM	64	20	3 sources	1	24	64×8-bit EEPROM in RAM
COP8722C	1.0k EEPROM	64	16	3 sources	1	20	64×8-bit EEPROM in RAM
COP840C	2.0k	128	24	3 sources	1	28	
COP841C	2.0k	128	20	3 sources	1	24	
COP842C	2.0k	128	16	3 sources	1	20	
COP880C	4.0k	128	36	3 sources	1	40/44	
COP881C	4.0k	128	24	3 sources	1	28	
COP8780C*	4.0k EPROM	128	36	3 sources	1	40/44	EPROM
COP8781C*	4.0k EPROM	128	24	3 sources	1	28	& OTP
COP884CF	4.0k	128	21	10 sources	2	28	2 PWM & A/D
COP884CG	4.0k	192	23	12 sources	3	28	3 PWM & UART
COP884CL	4.0k	128	23	10 sources	2	28	2 PWM
COP884CS*	4.0k	192	23	12 sources	1	28	1 PWM & UART
COP888CF	4.0k	128	33/37	10 sources	2	40/44	2 PWM & A/D
COP888CG	4.0k	192	35/39	14 sources	3	40/44	3 PWM & UART
COP888CL	4.0k	128	33/39	10 sources	2	40/44	2 PWM
COP888CS*	4.0k	192	35/39	14 sources	1	40/44	1 PWM & UART
COP888EG*	8k	256	35/39	14 sources	3	40/44	3 PWM & UART
COP884EG*	8k	256	23	12 sources	3	28	3 PWM & UART

*Available in 1990
All devices implement their stacks in RAM and have at least 1 serial I/O port.
MIL temperature range available

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
Add, add with carry, and subtract with borrow.
Logicals include rotates, shift compares, and conditionals.
Decimal correct.
Increment and decrement.
Bit manipulation: set, reset, and test individual bits in data memory, which includes those in data registers and I/O ports.
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
Load and exchange instructions with optional automatic post increment or decrement of the associated pointer. Most allow the use of either the B or X pointer. Decrement register and skip if zero.
III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Jump instructions: relative, absolute, absolute long, and indirect.
Subroutine, subroutine long, return, and skip (only the amount of available RAM limits subroutine levels).
Push and pop.
IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
ALU-driven decision bits in status register (PSW) appear to be limited to carry and half-carry flags. These, as well as interrupt control bits for various on- and off-chip interrupt sources, can be set and reset.
V—POWER-SAVING INSTRUCTIONS
Halt mode, which is entered by setting data bit and exited by reset or low-to-high transition on the CKO pin.
Note:
1. Program-branch decisions are implemented in skip-the-next-instruction manner.

Specification summary: 15-bit program counter (PC) can address 32-byte program memory, which can include data and data tables. All data, control, and I/O registers are mapped into data-side memory space. Two bidirectional 8-bit and two unidirectional 4-bit I/O ports max. Each I/O pin has software-selectable options to adapt the chip to specific applications. On-chip peripheral functions include software-selectable I/O of as many as 39 I/O pins, 3-wire serial I/O, 16-bit timer/counter with capture register and auto reload, and an 8-source interrupt. Maximum speed is 1-µsec instruction cycle (most instructions take one cycle). Clock for 1-µsec cycle is 10 MHz. Operates over 2.5 to 6V range and draws 9 mA running full speed at 1-µsec cycles, but less than 1 µA when halted.

Hardware notes:
1. Diagram shows basic COP800-family architecture. Each member of growing family has an emulator part that replaces standard masked-ROM with EEPROM or EPROM.
2. Sierra says cost of ASIC design can be as low as $40,000 up front (16 weeks' time), meaning ASICs can be cost competitive for 100k quantities.

HARDWARE SUPPORT SOFTWARE

Supported on National COP800 Development Systems. The system can be used in conjunction with IBM PC as host. Applications Hot Line: (408) 721-5582.

Cross-assembler for IBM PC and other computers. Form-fit emulators are available for every member of the family. These parts are 2-chip hybrids or single-chip EPROMs or EEPROMs.

PIC 16C5X FAMILY

8-BIT CMOS

AVAILABILITY: Now.
COST: Under $1.50 in volume.
SECOND SOURCE: None.

Description: A family of single-chip CMOS EPROM-based microcontrollers that use only 33 single-cycle/single-word instructions. The family offers various amounts of I/O, RAM, and one-time programmable EPROM. Oscillator frequency ranges from dc to 20 MHz. Although it qualifies for the RISC moniker based on its 33 instructions, using the label to describe it is risky, if not confusing. The family only has a 2-stage pipeline without delayed branches or load delay slots rather than a 4- or 5-stage pipeline with delayed branches and load delay slots. The chips have a 2-address instruction format rather than the 3-address instruction format typical of RISC machines. Also, the PIC family must be programmed in assembly language—there are no compilers.

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Status: To date, 75 million PICs have been sold worldwide, generally in high-volume, low-end consumer, personal computer, and automotive applications. CMOS one-time programmable versions were introduced in 1989 and are embedded in more than 1000 designs.

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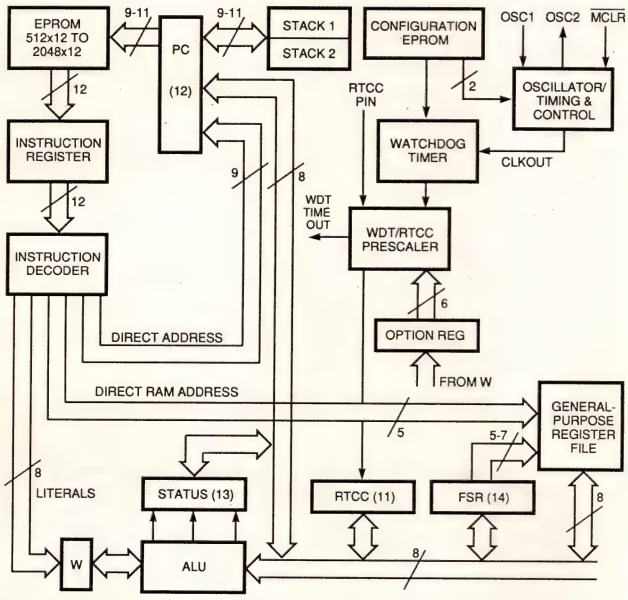

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
Add and subtract.
Logicals.
Rotate right and left, decimal adjust.
Swap halves.
Bit set and clear.
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
All RAM (general- and special-purpose registers) accessible by direct or indirect addressing.
Page addressing.
Move file.
III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Skip if zero (for comparisons and bit tests).
Move literal to W.
Call subroutine.
Goto routine.
IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
Can bit test on status-register carry, decimal carry, and zero.
V—POWER-SAVING INSTRUCTIONS
Sleep stops oscillator, CLRWDT clears watchdog timer. Tris instructs 3-state ports. Option loads option register.

Specification summary: Split-memory Harvard architecture with 12-bit-wide program EPROM and 8-bit-wide data registers. See table for EPROM and RAM sizes. Not expandable in memory because the microcontrollers are intended for self-contained, stand-alone applications. Power consumption ranges from less than 1 μA with the clock stop to 30 mA at 20 MHz.

PIC 16C5X CMOS microcontrollers

Part number	Pins	I/O	RAM (bits)	EPROM (bits)
PIC16C54	18	12	32x8	512x12
PIC16C55	28	20	32x8	512x12
PIC16C56	18	12	32x8	1024x12
PIC16C57	28	20	80x8	2048x12

Hardware notes:
1. 12-bit-wide instruction word allows single-cycle execution of all instructions.
2. All current devices are fully static, silicon-gate CMOS designs that feature an 8-bit real-time-clock counter, watchdog timer, and 2-level program-counter-save stack for subroutine nesting.
3. Security EPROM fuse for user's code protection.
4. A lower-cost RC-oscillator version is also available for applications that aren't timing critical.

HARDWARE SUPPORT SOFTWARE

Microchip offers two IBM PC-hosted development systems. One, the Pik-Pak is a low-end development system that allows for assembly, execution, debugging, and analysis of microcode. The $495 price includes programmer and UV-erasable samples. The Pic-ICE development system ($2495) offers full-speed emulation to support real-time code development. The system includes in-circuit emulation pod with an 8k capture-trace buffer, programmer, and diagnostic demo board. High-volume programming support is available from Microchip, Data I/O (Redmond, WA), and Logical Devices (Fort Lauderdale, FL).

Picalc cross-assembler is an IBM PC-hosted software tool that offers full-featured macro and conditional assembly capability. Picsim simulator software allows simulation of the PIC16C5X products on an instruction level. The simulator allows single-step, execute-until-break, and trace modes. Pice emulator software offers an interface with pull-down menus.

AVAILABILITY: Now.

COST: Masked-ROM parts are less than $2 in high volume (100k). EPROM parts cost $18 (100). CMOS parts cost as little as $3 (100k). Windowless-PROM parts cost $8 (5000).

SECOND SOURCE: Toshiba, NEC, Signetics/Philips, National Semiconductor, Oki, Fujitsu, UMC (Taiwan), with volume spread out among suppliers.

CORE: Zymos has been using 80C49 as a core for ASICs for several years. Others are following because 8048/49 combines popularity with small core size.

Description: Broad family of single-chip controller-type μCs, including a version that can function as a slave (8041). Basic models don't have serial communications ports (some versions from Philips do), but they can use 8080/85 peripherals for I/O expansion. See 8051 listing for enhanced version.

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Status: Intel is still bullish about the 8048. However, Intel chose the 8051 over the 8048 as the kick-off core for ASICs and says it has no definite plans to use the 8048 as an ASIC core.

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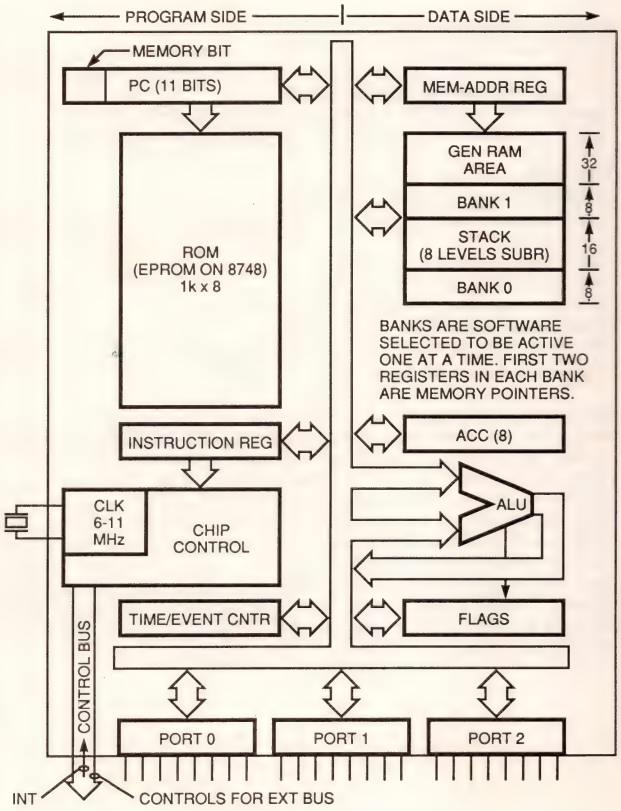

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
Arithmetic and logic.
Bit set and reset.
Two working banks of 8-bit registers.
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
Both internal and external RAM are fully accessible by instruction set.
Indirect and direct data fetches.
III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Decrement and skip if zero.
More than 20 conditional branches.
8-level stack with expansion capability.
Two vectored interrupts.
Two programmable flag bits under software control.
IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
Status word is fully accessible and is stored in the stack.

Specification summary: Split-memory architecture with 1k to 4k bytes of program ROM or EPROM on chip and 64 to 256 bytes in separate space, also on chip. I/O has its own space and instructions to operate directly on I/O ports. All spaces are expandable: program memory to 4k bytes, data memory to 256 bytes, I/O to unlimited amounts. I/O can use 8080/85 peripherals. Devices have 8-level stack for subroutine nesting and interrupt response. Dual banks of working registers allow rapid context switching. Family members execute their 1- and 2-cycle instructions at 1-cycle times ranging from 1.36 to 15 μsec. NMOS 5V technology in 40-pin DIP and 44-pad chip carriers; UV-erasable ROMs (EPROMs) and windowless PROM parts are available. CMOS versions available with idle and power-down features and optional flatpack packages. The 8049KB can drive four 10-mA LEDs.

Part no.	Memory (bytes) ROM	EPROM	RAM	Package pins Parallel I/O	Total
8035	0	0	64	3×8	40
8048	1k	0	64	3×8	40
8748	0	1k	64	3×8	40
8039	0	0	128	3×8	40*
8049	2k	0	128	3×8	40*
8749	0	2k	128	3×8	40*
8040	0	0	128	3×8	40
8050	4k	0	256	3×8	40

*Also available in 44-lead PLCC package.

Hardware notes:
1. Diagram is for basic 8048. Table indicates some other basic parts, most of which exist in both NMOS and CMOS.
2. CMOS parts are designated 80C48, 80C49, 80C50, etc.
3. There are many other variations of the basic 8048 among the many suppliers. For example, Intel's 8041/42 chips are software compatible but are configurable as slaves to host μPs for interface applications. The National NS 405/455 uses the 8048 core as the basis of a terminal controller. Siemens has the telecommunications-oriented 80C382/482. A number of semicustom houses use the 8048 as a core processor in their libraries.

HARDWARE — SUPPORT — SOFTWARE

From Intel: Intel plays down 8048 support, saying that there are now numerous third-party OEM suppliers of PC-hosted emulators for the 8048 family.
From NEC: Ekakit 84C-1 stand-alone emulator (less than $2000).

From others: Because of the broad-based popularity of this family, dozens of independent sources of development and application software exist, including support on universal development systems from Tektronix (Beaverton, OR) and Applied Microsystems (Redmond, WA).
Program library: Insite Library contains a variety of application programs.

8051/8052 FAMILY

8-BIT NMOS AND CMOS

AVAILABILITY: Now for 8051, 80C51, 8031, 80C31, 8751, 87C51, 80C32, 83C51FA, 87C51FA, 83C51FB, 87C51FB, 8032, 8052, and 87C51FC.

COST: $2.30 (2k) for 8051; $33 (1k) for 8751; $3 (2k) for 80C51; $2.95 (2k) for 8052; $44 (1k) for 87C51; $40 (1k) for 8752; $4.40 (2k) for 80C52; $4.90 (2k) for 83C51FA; $45 (1k) for 87C51FA; $50 (1k) for 87C51FB; and $67 (1k) for 87C51FC.

SECOND SOURCE: Siemens, Signetics/Philips, Fujitsu, Oki, and Harris-Matra (France) licensed.

CORE: Intel's ASIC Components Group is using the 8051 as its starting μP core. Signetics/Philips has the 80C51 core in its ASIC library.

Description: Expandable single-chip controller, an enhanced version of the same supplier's widely used 8048 family. Architecturally, it features nonpaged addressing for easier programming; more interrupts with extra RAM-register banks to service them; increased stack depth; and new instructions, such as multiply, divide, and compare.

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Status: Generally thought of as the leader among the more powerful 8-bit single-chip μCs. This family faces stiff competition from high-end 8-bit μCs, such as Mitsubishi's 50740 version of the 6500/1, Motorola's 68HC11, NEC's 7811, Hitachi's 647180, and National's COP800, as well as from 16-bit μCs, such as Intel's own 8096 and National's 16040. The 8051 is among the most widely used cores in market-specific μCs.

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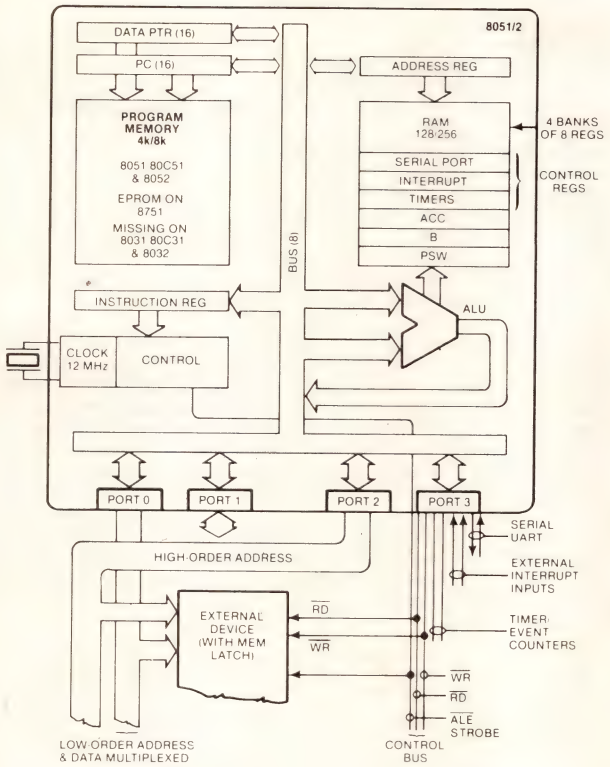

Hardware notes:

1. The 14 members of the 8051 family have between 128 and 256 bytes of RAM and differ mainly in their amount and form of on-chip ROM.
2. The 8051's Boolean-processor capabilities refer to the way instructions can single out bits in RAM, accumulators, I/O registers; perform complex bit tests and comparisons; then execute relative jumps based on results.
3. Intel has one 8052 model preprogrammed with a full Basic interpreter.
4. Dallas Semiconductor (Dallas, TX) offers an 8051-instruction-code-compatible μP ($9.70 (1000)), which converts as much as 64k bytes of SRAM into lithium-backed nonvolatile memory. The chip also provides a serial bootstrap loader for initialization, crashproofing circuitry to save current state, and on-chip software encryption that loads and executes the application in unintelligible form.

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
Arithmetic, including add, subtract, multiply, and divide.
Bit manipulation, including complex tests on bits and branching on results.
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
Register addressing for the 8 working registers in the 4 register banks.
Direct, immediate, and indirect data addressing for more general data accessing.
Table look-up in ROM via data pointer.
III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Depth of subroutining limited only by available space in 128- or 256-byte on-chip RAM.
Conditional jumps on status-register flags.
Conditional jumps on comparisons.
Vectored interrupts to service 2 external interrupts, timers, and a UART.
IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
CPU's program-status word is fully accessible via software. Status bits in timer and UART are also software accessible.

Specification summary: Expandable single-chip μC. Split-memory architecture has 4k- to 8k-byte ROM on chip and 128 to 256 bytes of RAM on chip. Each memory is expandable externally to 128k bytes. Four 8-bit ports on chip, but only one of these remains a port when you use all off-chip expansions and on-chip special functions. On-chip special functions include full-duplex hardware UART (to 500k baud), two or three 16-bit timer/counters, and interrupt system to service these internal functions along with two external interrupts with 3- to 7-μsec latency. Instructions are a superset of the 8048's, with paged addressing eliminated. At 12-MHz clock frequency, most instructions take 1 μsec; multiply or divide requires 4 μsec. 8051 is also available in CMOS (80C51) with 12- or 16-MHz performance and idle/power-down modes.

HARDWARE — SUPPORT — SOFTWARE

From Intel: ICE-5100/252 in-circuit emulator ($5495) supports the entire MCS-51 family including 8051, 8052, and 80C52. Comes with macroassembler and editor. IBM PC/AT/XT, running DOS 3.1 or later versions, and Intellec Series III/IV development systems host the emulator. Nohau (Campbell, CA) and MetaLink (Chandler, AZ) provide PC-hosted emulation systems for Signetics/Philips standard and derivative μCs.

From Intel: ASM-51 and PL/M-51, both containing a relocation and linkage utility, are available for the IBM PC and Intel microcomputer development systems.
From others: Many third-party software suppliers offer C compilers for 8051 with special features suited to microcontroller applications. Three such compilers are Micro Computer Control's (Hopewell, NJ) for $1495, Archimedes Software's (San Francisco, CA) for $851, and Franklin Software Inc's (San Jose, CA) for $895. All are hosted on IBM PC.

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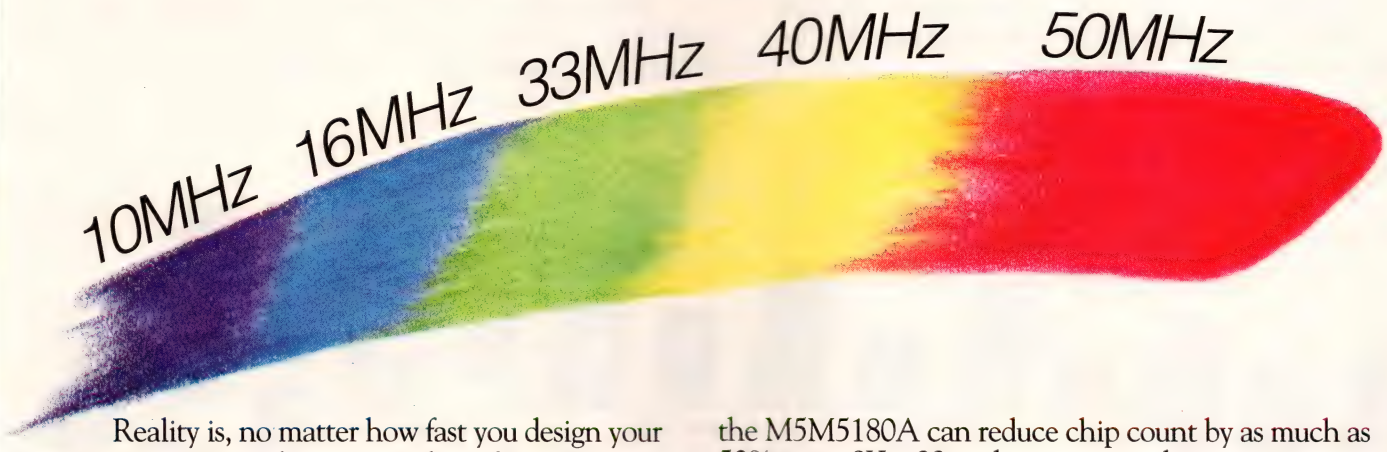

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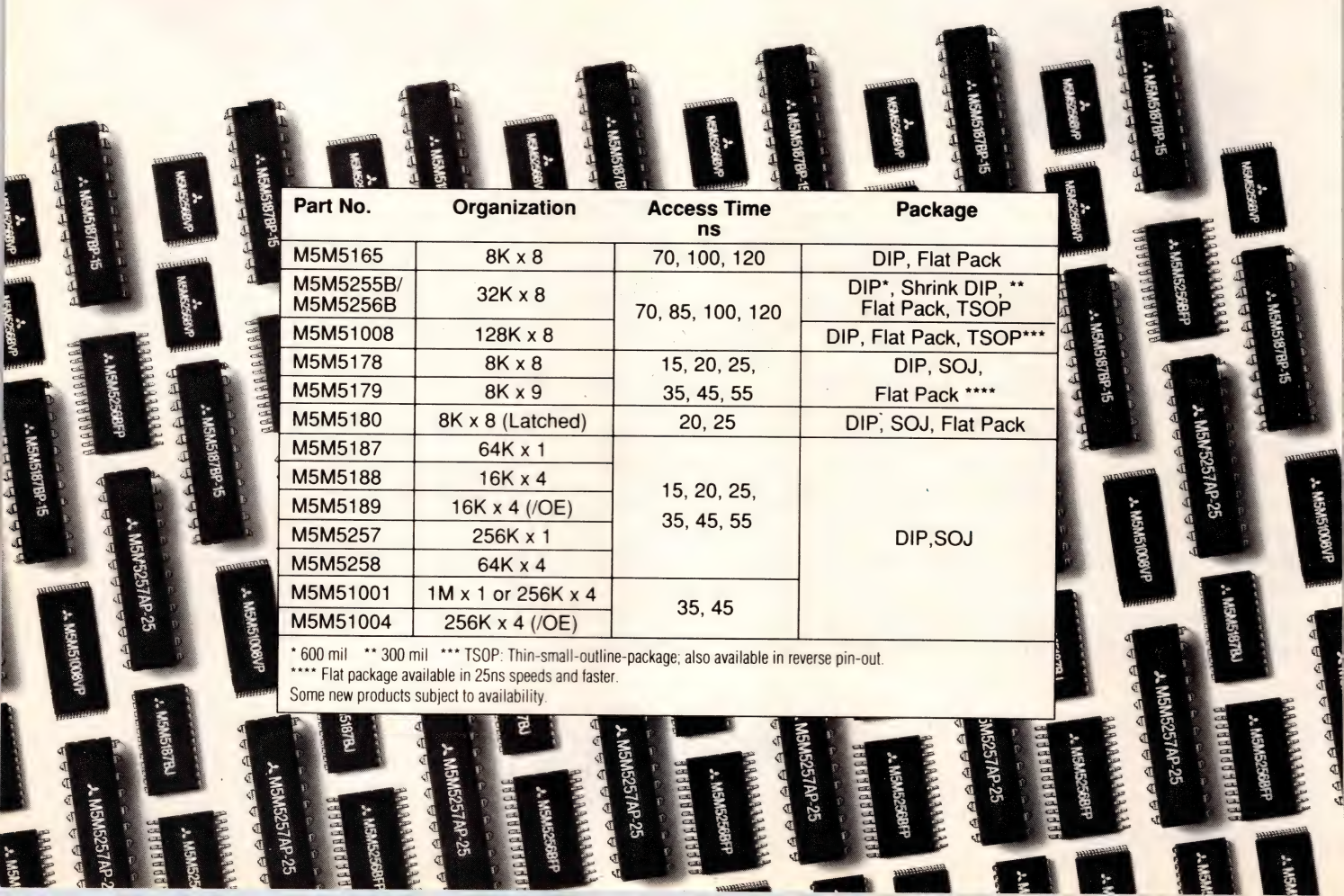

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M5M5165	8K x 8	70, 100, 120	DIP, Flat Pack
M5M5255B/ M5M5256B	32K x 8	70, 85, 100, 120	DIP*, Shrink DIP, ** Flat Pack, TSOP
M5M51008	128K x 8		DIP, Flat Pack, TSOP***
M5M5178	8K x 8	15, 20, 25, 35, 45, 55	DIP, SOJ, Flat Pack ****
M5M5179	8K x 9		
M5M5180	8K x 8 (Latched)	20, 25	DIP, SOJ, Flat Pack
M5M5187	64K x 1	15, 20, 25, 35, 45, 55	DIP,SOJ
M5M5188	16K x 4		
M5M5189	16K x 4 (/OE)		
M5M5257	256K x 1		
M5M5258	64K x 4		
M5M51001	1M x 1 or 256K x 4	35, 45	
M5M51004	256K x 4 (/OE)		

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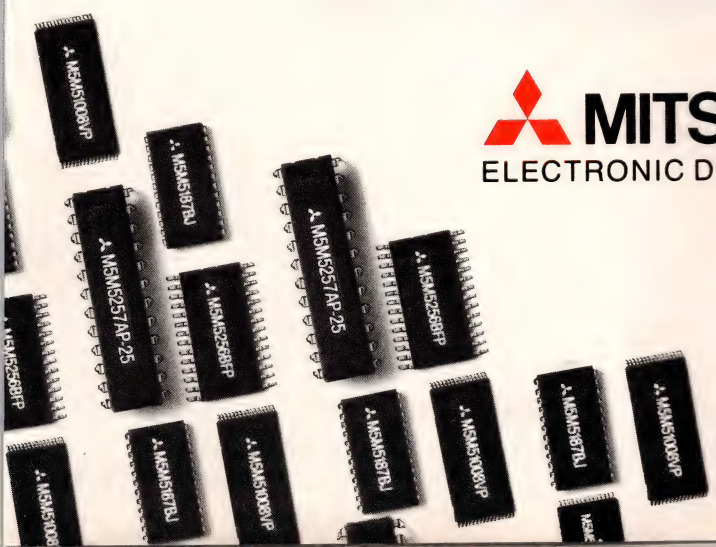

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TMS370 FAMILY

8-BIT CMOS

AVAILABILITY: Now.
COST: ROM-based devices range from $3.50 to $11 (100k) depending on program memory, peripherals, and on-chip EEPROM mix.
SECOND SOURCE: None.

Description: Software-compatible family of CMOS μCs with on-chip EEPROM and peripheral support functions. Modular design architecture provides flexible reconfiguration and reduction in product design time. Various family members incorporate an 8-channel, 8-bit A/D converter, enhanced timers, serial peripheral interface, serial communications interface, EPROM, EEPROM, and ROM. Instructions typically perform combined load, operation, and store functions, increasing system performance and code efficiency. Form-factor emulator versions replace ROM with EPROM or EEPROM and allow prototyping and small runs.

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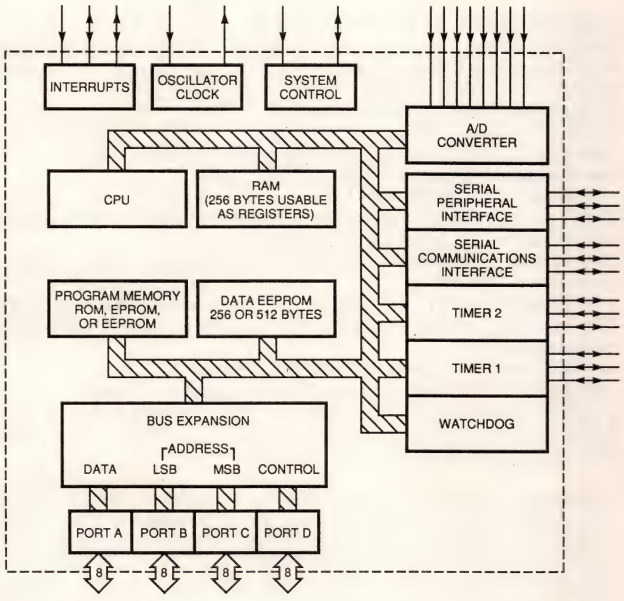
Status: Supports real-time applications that may previously have required analog, bit-slice, or multiple controllers. The alterable nonvolatile memory allows the μC to retain critical data without power. The vendor offers 16 function modules that it will configure for your application if your volumes exceed 50,000.

HARDWARE — CHARACTERISTICS — SOFTWARE



Hardware note:
Diagram reflects the TMS370x5x, which supplements the 370Cx1x's single 16-bit timer, serial peripheral interface, programmable timer, 128-bit SRAM, and optional 256-bit EEPROM with a second 16-bit timer, a serial communications interface, memory expansion ports, another 128 bits of SRAM, and an 8-channel 8-bit ADC. The 370Cx3x contains a programmable timing module with watchdog timer, a miniserial communications interface, an 8-channel 8-bit ADC, 256-bit SRAM, and optional EEPROM.

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
Add, subtract, 8×8-bit multiply, 16×8-bit divide, and BCD.
Logicals, increment, and decrement.
Rotates right and left. Bit test. Set bit.
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
Dual-operand moves avoid time wasted going through accumulator.
Apply to many instructions.
Indexing via B register.
16-bit moves.
III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Call and return. Trap. Bit test and jump on both I/O and memory. Conditional jumps using program-counter-relative addressing.
IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
Status register contains carry, sign, zero, overflow, and interrupt enable. Instructions to change carry and interrupt enable.

Specification summary: The programmable timer module uses the on-chip dual-ported RAM to store its commands as well as the timer values. This module allows input capture on as many as 6 pins, 4 of which have a programmable prescaler. The TMS370 CMOS family members use a 5V supply over the oscillator frequency range of 2 to 20 MHz and over the temperature range of -40 to +85°C. The application program, register file, and peripheral file share memory space.

TMS370 family matrix

	370Cx C	370Cx32	370Cx50	370Cx52	370Cx56
ROM	4k	8k	4k	8k	16k
FFE	4k EEPROM	8k EEPROM	4k EEPROM	16k EPROM	16k EPROM
Data EEPROM	256	256	256	256	512
RAM	128	256	256	256	512
Timer 1, watchdog timer	•		•	•	•
Timer 2			•	•	•
Serial peripheral interface	•		•	•	•
Serial communications interface		•	•	•	•
A/D port		•	•	•	•
I/O links	22	55	55	55	55
Package	28 DIP/PLCC	68 PLCC	68 PLCC	68 PLCC	68 PLCC

HARDWARE — SUPPORT — SOFTWARE

From TI: XDS/11 is a IBM-PC-driven interactive development system ($2850). It provides full-speed, in-circuit emulation and debugging functions. XDS/22 development system ($8250) adds extended breakpoint, trace, and timing functions to the XDS/11 system. A design kit ($370) lets you analyze the feasibility of using the TMS370 family for your application. EEPROM programmer ($1250) comes with power and interface cables, software, and sockets for the 370 family and EPROMs such as the 2732, 2764, 27128, and 27256.
From others: ElectroRent provides rental use of TI tools for IBM PCs. Logical Devices (Fort Lauderdale, FL) has a TMS370 microcontroller module for AllPro programmers.

From TI: Cross-assembler, linker, full ANSI C compiler, and C source debugger available on IBM PCs and DEC VAXs under VMS.
From others: Allen Ashley (Pasadena, CA) supplies an assembler/linker and Intermetrics (Cambridge, MA) offers a C compiler that runs on IBM PCs. Macrochip Research (Carrollton, TX) has an assembler and midrange emulator for both IBM and Macintosh personal computers. P&E Microcomputer Systems (Woburn, MA) provides an integrated assembler and simulator for IBM PCs.

AVAILABILITY: Now for most models. Motorola can build customer-specified versions in as little as six months.

COST: $1 to $8. CMOS parts are more expensive than NMOS ones.

SECOND SOURCE: Harris, Hitachi, and SGS Thomson.

CORE: Motorola and NCR have a joint ASIC pact to use CMOS 6805 as a core along with NCR's similar 6502 μP core. SGS Thomson has ST6 core, which has architecture somewhat similar to the 6804's.

Description: Family of single-chip μCs based loosely on 6800 architecture but in some ways more like 6502 (especially 6805). Family offers various amounts of I/O, RAM, and ROM. Internal bus frequencies span dc to 4 MHz. Some parts contain an on-chip A/D converter, EEPROM, serial I/O, and software security. Customer-specified microcontrollers use this core for mixing and matching of peripherals to reduce cost for specific customer applications.

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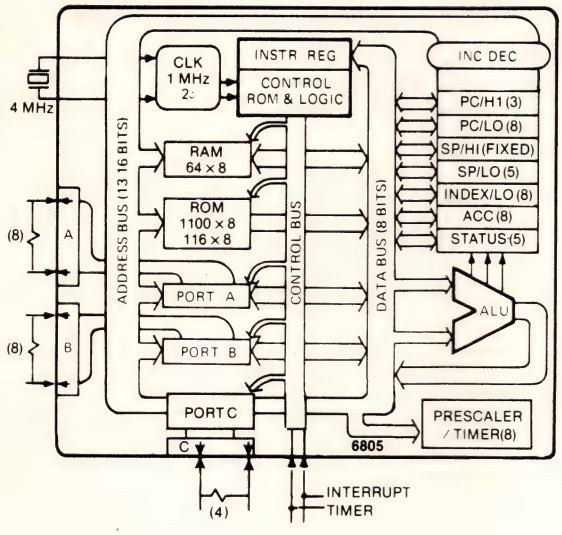
Status: Supplier's steady commitment to this family over past 12 years has paid off. It trails only the 8048/49 family and the 50740 in market share. Motorola continues to expand the 6805 family, using its CSIC (customer-specified integrated circuit) concept.

HARDWARE CHARACTERISTICS SOFTWARE



Hardware notes:
1. Diagram is for nonexpandable Model P2 in a 28-pin package.
2. Comparison of 6805 with 6800: Stack is only 64 bytes deep. Only one accumulator. Index register can only span 256 memory locations. However, family supports a 16-bit offset addressing mode, thus the μP can access 256-byte tables anywhere within the memory space. Program counter is as long as 14 bits in some members of this family. Only one external interrupt is provided, but some models have timer-input capture pins, which may provide additional edge-triggered inputs.
3. Note additional 116 bytes in ROM for built-in self-check program that tests I/O, ROM pattern, RAM, and interrupts. Special pin initiates program.
4. Harris has ROMless emulator versions (68EM05/C4,D2) for prototyping and low-volume production. Harris brings all ROM access buses out for direct interfacing to industry-standard EPROMs. Available in 40-pin piggyback for 2764.
5. Motorola currently has five field-programmable 68HC05 versions with on-chip EPROM instead of mask ROM to permit development and low-volume production.

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
All 6800 arithmetic, logic, and shift instructions. Bit set, clear, and branch on bit test. Bit tests can be made on all I/O and direct-page memory bits. 68HC05 has 8×8-bit multiply.
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
Relative addressing allows data relocation.
True indexing within the 256-location limits of 8-bit index.
III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
18 conditional branches, including branch of interrupt line test.
Mostly the same conditional branches as the 6800, but with more emphasis on branch-upon-bit and interrupt tests.
Only 15 levels of subroutine nesting, including interrupt returns; 31 levels on certain new parts.
Four sources of interrupts: external, timer, software, and reset. 68HC05 has vectored interrupts to service its serial-communications and peripheral interfaces.
IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTRUCTIONS
Instructions for manipulating bits in status register and timer.
V—POWER-SAVING INSTRUCTIONS
CMOS 6804s and 6805s have Stop and Wait instructions and will safely reset themselves when the clock is reapplied.

Specification summary: Common-memory architecture in which instructions, data, I/O, and timers all share the same memory space. This scheme allows bit manipulation and rotation of I/O. Dedicated bit manipulation includes bit set/clear and branch on bit set/clear. A 4-MHz oscillator provides a 1-MHz internal cycle on most 6805 versions. New 68HC05s have a 2.1-MHz internal bus speed. Some, like the 68HC705C8, are available with a 4-MHz bus speed. Some parts offer program security, on-chip 5V EEPROM, A/D converter, serial peripheral interface, serial communications interface, timers, PWM D/A converter, LCD drivers, DTMF generators, and other customer-specified peripherals. Family consists of NMOS and CMOS parts in 20-, 28-, and 40-pin DIPs, SOICs, and shrink DIPs; 44-, 52-, and 68-pin PLCCs; and other fine-pitch packaging options.

Family		Speed bus (MHz)	Instructions	On-chip ROM	RAM	I/O pins	Timer	Interrupts	Power consumption (mW)	Pins
6805	Min	0	51	1k	64	16	—	3	0.01	28
	Max	2	59	4k	176	32	Yes	5	–700	40
68HC05	Min	0	62	1k	96	32	Yes	2	0.25	40
	Max	4	62	16k	304	32	Yes	2	0.25	68

HARDWARE SUPPORT SOFTWARE

From Motorola: The less costly M68705EVM (HMOS) and M68HC05EVM (CMOS) boards, which have ports to a terminal and host computer, provide target-system emulation.
From Harris: Single-board evaluation kit that interfaces to IBM PC via RS-232C line.
From SGS Thomson: INICE4-8 development and emulation system.
From others: A number of third-party companies, including Sophia Systems (Santa Clara, CA) and American Automation (Tustin, CA), provide hardware emulators for the 6805 family. Most of these emulators interface to IBM PCs.

From Motorola: You can obtain software free for downloading over phone lines by calling (512) 891-3733.
From SGS Thomson: Interactive development software.
From others: Many cross macroassemblers and linking loaders, some relocatable. RELMS (San Jose, CA) has cross support for Intel development systems. Avocet Systems Inc (Rockport, ME) has cross-assemblers for 6805 and 6804 that run on IBM PCs and compatibles. Introl (Milwaukee, WI) provides cross-compilers and cross-assemblers. C cross-compiler with macro cross-assembler from Bytecraft Ltd (Waterloo, Ontario, Canada).

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	CU169SCPB-L	1 × 16	9.0	P	x	
	CU205SCPB-S	1 × 20	5.0	S/P		
	CU209SCPB-L	1 × 20	9.2	P	x	
	CU2015SCPB-L	1 × 20	15.1	P	x	
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	CU20026SCPB-S	2 × 20	5.1	P	x	x
	CU40026SCPB-S	2 × 40	5.0	P	x	x
	CU40046MCPB-S	4 × 40	5.0	S/P	x	x
	CU40066MCPB-S	6 × 40	5.0	S/P	x	x
	CU40086MCPB-S	8 × 40	5.0	P	x	x

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DOT MATRIX FORMAT (DOTS/LINE × NO. OF LINES)	MODEL NUMBER	NO. OF LINES AND CHARACTERS/LINE (5x7 DOT CONFIGURATION)	GRAPHICS CAPABILITY
192 × 16 (3072 DOTS TOTAL)	GU192X16	2 × 32	YES
256 × 16 (4096 DOTS TOTAL)	GU256X16	2 × 42	YES
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Power Currents

Fall '90

New controller provides simultaneous control of two, independent power supplies.

The PIA 3200 Controller allows a user to set the voltage and output current, and measure or read back the set values. A pair of fully isolated channels provide for the control of two independent, regulated power supplies such as the PAK series of burn-in switchers, and high-current PAD-L/LP supplies.

An advanced GPIB interface function and sequence control mode, used for programmable control, enables DC power supplies to be compatible with automated measuring systems and provides for up to 56 settings of the output voltage, output current, overvoltage and voltage drop protection for each channel. The programming format conforms to IEEE-488.

The sequence control mode permits storage of each DC power supplies' settings and execution times, up to a maximum of 256 steps per sequence, via the GPIB interface. Storage and recall of up to six sequence patterns between any consecutive addresses can also be achieved. Normal speed mode is 50 msec-130 min/step; high speed mode is 0.2 msec-999.8 msec/step.

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Overall efficiency of 80% reduces power consumption, system heat radiation, and cost per watt. Line and load regulation averages ± 0.30% over the full input range. Ripple is typically 2% of nominal output at full load current.

New 50 W, 150 W and 300 W modular electronic loads can test multiple output power supplies, batteries, capacitors, and process control I/O ports.

These rack-mounted loads are ideally suited for use in systems applications such as burn-in power supply testing and battery and capacitor discharge tests.

A single rack mount, for example, accommodates up to eight 50-watt, four 150-watt, two 300-watt loads or various combinations up to 600 W. Depending upon the capacity, input voltages may range from less than 2 to 60 VDC.

The constant current, contact voltage and constant resistance modes may be remotely controlled using external voltage. Computer control for the PLZ-WU series is available using the GPIB bus.

New software-controlled power test systems provide fast, flexible test solutions without expensive programming.

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6801/6301/68HC11 — 8-BIT NMOS AND CMOS

AVAILABILITY: Now.
COST: From less than $3 to $20 (1k).
SECOND SOURCE: Hitachi, SGS Thomson, and Toshiba. Hitachi second-sources the 6801 and calls the part 6301. SGS Thomson sources the 6801. Toshiba is a second source for 68HC11 devices.

Description: 6801 is a large, expandable, single-chip version of the 6800, with enhancements that include 10 more instructions, serial I/O, 8 × 8-bit multiplication, and a multifunction 16-bit timer. 68HC11 has a second 16-bit-wide register; an 8-function timer; a 2-function pulse accumulator; an enhanced UART (SCI); a 1-MHz serial shifter; an 8-channel, 8-bit A/D converter; and a 512-byte EEPROM. One-time-programmable/mask versions include as much as 24k-bit on-chip EPROM/ROM and built-in device selects and bank switching circuits for as much as 20-bit addressing.

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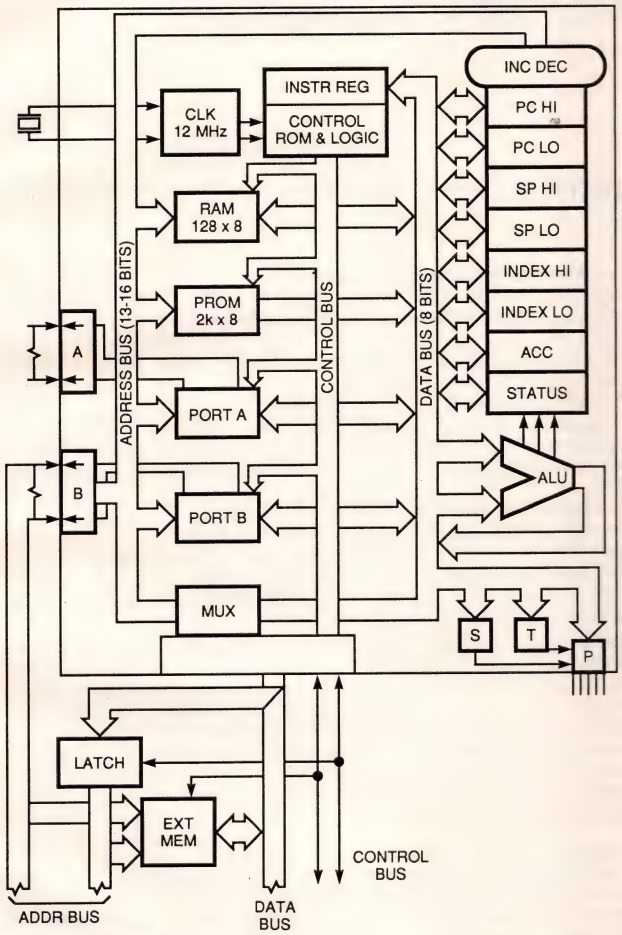
Status: This family has been well received. Motorola is now following migration of customers to more powerful single-chip devices and is concentrating on the 68HC11 enhancement of the 6801, such as increased on-chip EEPROM. The company is also adding various peripheral functions in many of the family derivatives.

HARDWARE — CHARACTERISTICS — SOFTWARE



Hardware notes:
1. Diagram is for 6801. See table for other family members.
2. Motorola provides one-time-programmable versions of some HC11 family members that have EPROM program memories in inexpensive windowless packages for one-time programming in moderate-volume production (to 10k).
3. Motorola's 68HC11 is a much enhanced 6801. 68HC11A8 has a 512-byte EEPROM; 68HC811E2 has a 2k-byte EEPROM; 68HC711E9 has a 12k-bit EPROM; 68HC711K4 has a 24k-bit EPROM.

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
Arithmetic and logic.
Instructions to take advantage of 2 accumulators, including 8 × 8-bit multiply. 68HC11 has additional 16-bit operations, integer and fractional divides, and bit manipulation.
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
Can reach the first 256 locations of memory with short instructions.
Can list-process efficiently with the index register (2 on 68HC11) and can add accumulator to index register within a 64k-byte range.
Relative addressing allows data relocation.
Has 16-bit load and store.
III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
Has PDP-11 branches and conditional branches. Has unlimited subroutine nesting via stack pointer, addressing LIFO stacks in RAM.
Eight levels of prioritized, vectored interrupts (21 on 68HC11).
IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTRUCTIONS
Instructions for storing status register or transferring to or from accumulator. 68HC11 has additional active bits related to stop mode.
V—POWER-SAVING INSTRUCTIONS
6301 has sleep instruction. 68HC11 has Stop and Wait instructions similar to 146805 but with disabling provision via a bit in the status register.

Specification summary: Expandable single-chip μC with common-memory architecture in which all instructions, data, I/O, control, and data registers share the same memory space. This scheme allows I/O to be handled like memory with all instructions applying. Instruction set is upwardly compatible with 6800, with 10 additional instructions for 6801 and 88 new op codes for 68HC11. The ROM, RAM, and I/O resources for 6801 and 68HC11 families are detailed in the table. Internal bus speed to 2 MHz for 6801 and from dc (asleep) to 4 MHz for 68HC11. The 6801 is fabricated in NMOS, the 6301 is fabricated in CMOS, and the Motorola 68HC11 is fabricated in static CMOS to allow dormant, micropower "asleep" state. 6801 in 40-pin DIP, 6301 in 64-pin DIP and flatpack, and 68HC11 in 48-pin DIP and 52-, 68-, and 84-pin PLCCs.

Software notes:
1. 6801 has all 6800 μP instructions plus 10 new ones to handle additional resources such as advanced serial I/O ports and timers.
2. 68HC11 has enhanced 6801 instruction set with 88 additional op codes.

		Memory			Internal bus	I/O		Timer event	
		On chip							
Part	Description	ROM	RAM	Ext	speed	Parallel	Serial	ctr	Pins
6801	Expandable 1-chip μC	2k	128	64k	0.5M–2.0M	29	3	3×16	40
68701	EPROM version of 6801	2k	128	64k	0.5M–2.0M	29	3	3×16	40
6803	ROMless 6801	—	128	64k	0.5M–2.0M	13	3	3×16	40
68HC11	CMOS with UART, serial	24k	768	2M	0–4M	28	6	4×16	48 (DIP)
	I/O, 8-bit A/D converter	(Also 512 EEPROM)				32			52, 68, 84 (QUAD)

Note: Parts have two external interrupts.

HARDWARE — SUPPORT — SOFTWARE

From Motorola: For 6801 family, M68701EVM is an evaluation module that has a port for terminal and a port for any RS-232C host and will program 68701 EPROM parts. For 68HC11, the similar M68HC11EVM. Also M68HC11EVB boards ($168.11) for evaluating single-chip configuration of HC11s. For both 6801 and 68HC11, the under $3000 PC-based CDS8 Jewelbox series of development systems features real-time, noninvasive in-circuit emulation with real-time tracing and other debugging capabilities.
From SGS Thomson: INICE4-8 development and emulation system.
From others: Third-party hardware development systems, such as CT68HC11 ($5000 to $6000) from Ashling Microsystems Ltd (Limerick, Ireland).

From Motorola: You can obtain software free for downloading over phone lines by calling (512) 891-3733. C compiler runs on Unix System V for 68HC11. For the least expensive approach, use 6801 parts with Lilbug monitor in on-chip ROM (MC6801L1).
From SGS Thomson: Interactive development software.
From others: Cross macroassemblers and linking loaders, some relocatable, run on popular minis and personal computers. For example, C compiler from Archimedes (San Francisco, CA) runs on the IBM PC ($995) and DEC VAX ($3995 to $5995).

6500/1, 65C124, 65C265, 50740, 37700 8-BIT (AND 16-BIT) NMOS AND CMOS

AVAILABILITY: Now for all NMOS and most 8-bit CMOS parts.
COST: Prices range from $2 to $20 according to complexity of part and volume. Volume leader Mitsubishi's prices range from $4 to $60.
SECOND SOURCE: NCR (licensed) and California Micro Devices for Rockwell NMOS parts. Western Design Center (WDC) has licensed a number of suppliers worldwide for its CMOS designs.
CORE: Standard megacell in libraries of NCR, Mitsubishi, WDC, SMC, and several others. Widely used because of compact 6502 die size.

Description: There are three different sources for single-chip versions of the 6502 μP: the original 6500/1 NMOS family from Rockwell, the new 65C124 and -134 CMOS family from WDC, and the 50740 CMOS family from Mitsubishi. Most parts are 100% software compatible with 6502, although in some cases enhanced instructions such as bit manipulation have been added. Because of the small size of the 6502 core, many parts take a standard-cell ASIC approach. Vendors claim these 1-chip sets have a speed advantage over competing single-chip devices due to the 6502's 2-cycle bus and pipelining.

Status: Mitsubishi's 50740 Series is a top volume leader among 8-bit μCs. Mitsubishi's explanation for the part's success is its use in Japanese consumer products. Standard or custom 50740s are found in products from Hitachi, JVC, Sanyo, and Minolta.

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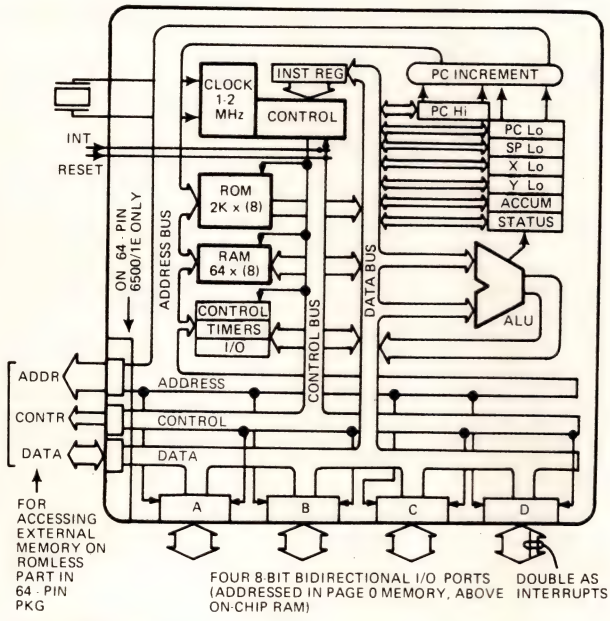

Hardware notes:
1. Diagram favors initial Rockwell 6500/1 version. Most other versions are more complex.
2. Mitsubishi 740 Series parts are all CMOS and have as many as 16k bytes of ROM and 512 bytes of RAM. Some models have special functions such as UARTs, 8-bit A/D converters, LCD drivers, or high-voltage (−35V) outputs. Some have 56 pins of I/O.
3. Mitsubishi's new CMOS M37700 version has an 8-bit external/16-bit internal data bus, much like the 68C816 version of the 6502 μP. On chip, it can have as many as 32k bytes of ROM, 2k bytes of RAM, eight 16-bit timers, 2 UARTs, 1 watchdog timer, and an 8-channel 8-bit ADC. Memory is expandable to 16M bytes off chip.
4. WDC's first part, 65C124, has been joined by 65C134—a 6502 core μP—which includes a low-power LAN connection and UART.

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
Arithmetic and logic. Decimal mode via control bit in status register. Can operate on locations in memory space, which can be either RAM or I/O ports.
Bit-manipulation enhancement on some models allows bit set and reset and branching on bit set or reset.
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
True indexed addressing, though index offset is limited to 8 bits in 2 CPU registers—X and Y. Short-form addressing to zero page. Has two sophisticated indirect-indexed and indexed-indirect instructions for handling tables.
III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
Conditional branches with signed relative addresses.
Nonmaskable and/or maskable interrupt, depending on model.
IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTRUCTIONS
Push and pull status register from memory stack. Set and clear carry, decimal mode, and interrupt bits.

Specification summary: Single-chip nonexpandable and expandable versions of 650X family. Have 2k- to 16k-byte ROM, 64- to 512-byte RAM, as many as 52 I/O lines, and one or more 16-bit programmable interval timers, as well as two or more programmable interrupts (plus the 650X's NMI interrupt). Family options (Rockwell) include RS-232C port and bus expansion. Operates from 5V, 500 mW and has separate 5V supply to keep 64 static bytes of RAM alive (50 mW required). Wide variety of package types and sizes from various suppliers. Full MIL-spec temperature-range devices from WDC.

Software notes:
1. 6500/1 instruction set is identical to that of previous 650X family devices such as 6502, with the exception of bit-manipulation instructions for some devices. No new instructions added to handle new on-chip features such as timers and I/O because the μP handles them as if in external memory space.
2. Mitsubishi chips have some added instructions.
3. WDC's 65C134 adds some instructions and an operating voltage range of 1.8 to 5.25V.

HARDWARE SUPPORT SOFTWARE

From Rockwell: R6500/1 personality card ($995), which plugs into LCE System ($1250) uses emulator part, the 64-pin 6500/1E ($75). Backpack part will be ROMless 40-pin R6500/1EAB ($42), into which you can plug industry-standard EPROMs.
From Mitsubishi: Debugging machine PC4000E ($1000) with in-circuit-emulator (ICE) cards for each device model ($750 to $1500).
From WDC: Toolbox Design System ICE for W65C124 runs on an Apple IIGS host and can communicate with an IBM PC via a serial port ($4995).

From Rockwell: Because the 6500/1 emulator runs on LCE system and Aim-65 (Dynatem, Irvine, CA), you can use existing 6502 program-development software. A debugging monitor is available for all 6500/1 and 6500/11 devices, and the macroassembler supports enhancement instructions. Cross software available.
From Mitsubishi: Cross software for MS-DOS. (Has plans for a C compiler and Forth interpreter.)
From WDC: Many software packages available from third parties for the W65C02/W65C816 μPs.

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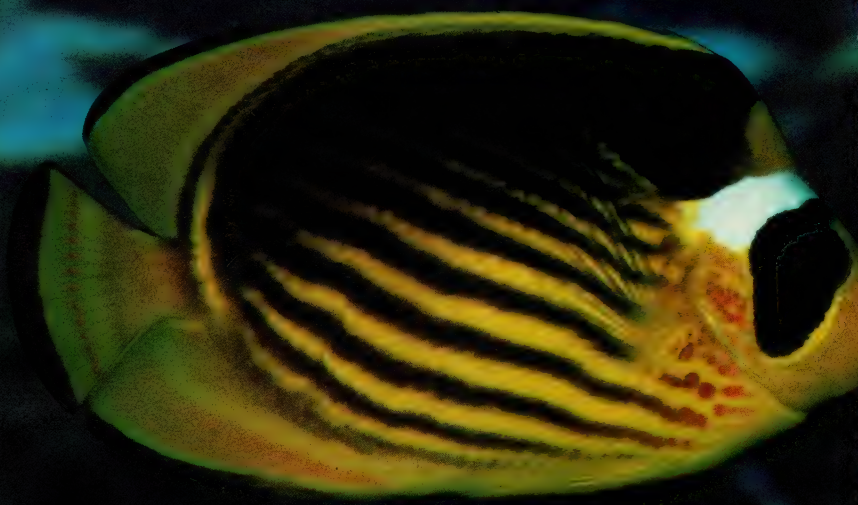

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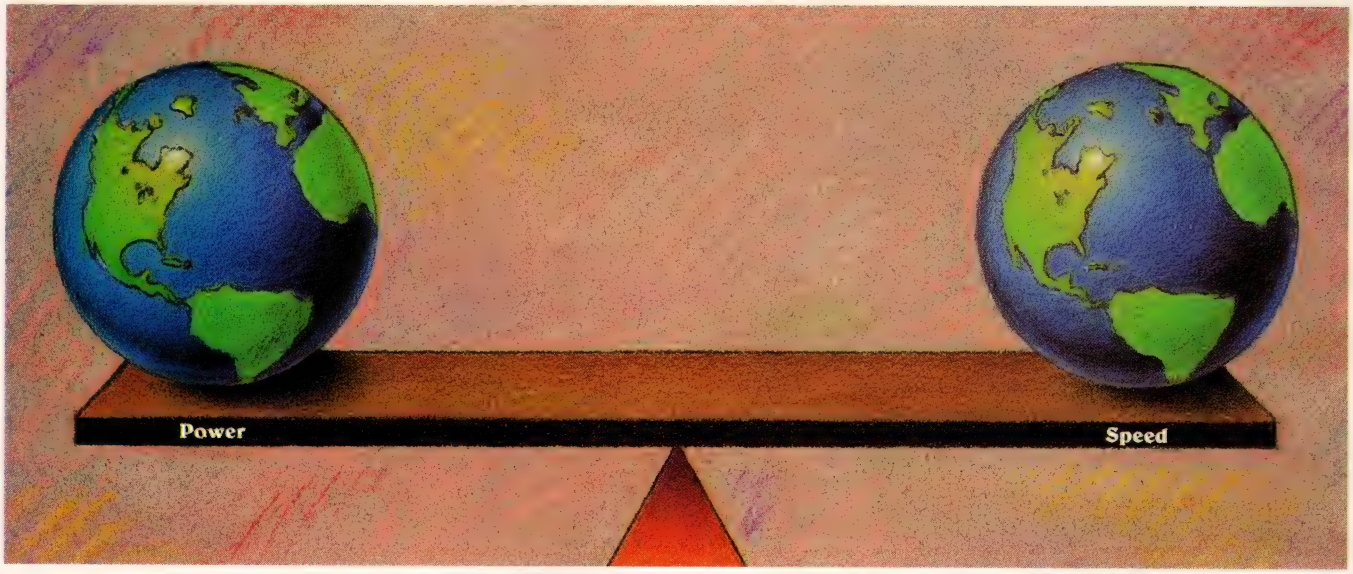

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8-BIT NMOS AND CMOS

AVAILABILITY: Now for ROMless and 1k-, 2k-, 4k-, and 8k-byte parts; 2k- and 8k-byte EEPROM; and one-time programmables at 8, 12, 16, and 20 MHz. Sharp and Zilog have CMOS now. SGS Thomson has 4k-byte EPROM and 8k-byte ROM.

COST: Less than $3.50 for NMOS Z8 in volume. $3.60 for NMOS Super8 in volume. (28-pin version for $1.) Less than $5 for CMOS Z8.

SECOND SOURCE: SGS Thomson (licensed); Sharp for both NMOS and CMOS; VLSI Technology for CMOS.

CORE: From Zilog and VLSI Technology. SGS Thomson aims to convert NMOS Z8 designs to its CMOS ST9 core.

Description: Z8 is a single-chip μC that is a composite of many machines. You can't necessarily use its powerful features simultaneously, a common problem with single-chip units. Not really compatible with supplier's Z80 or Z8000 because architecture is so different; closest to Z8000. However, slave Z8 versions interface to Z80 and Z8000 buses. Super8 version has more of everything: more data and program memory, more on-chip peripherals, more instructions.

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Status: According to Zilog, Z8 volume is growing at a compound annual growth rate of 33% and Z8 has had several hundred design wins (many in Far East); some of these design wins are now going into production. Meanwhile, second-source SGS Thomson has turned its CMOS efforts to its ST9, a proprietary enhancement of the Z8, which SGS Thomson uses for an ASIC building block.

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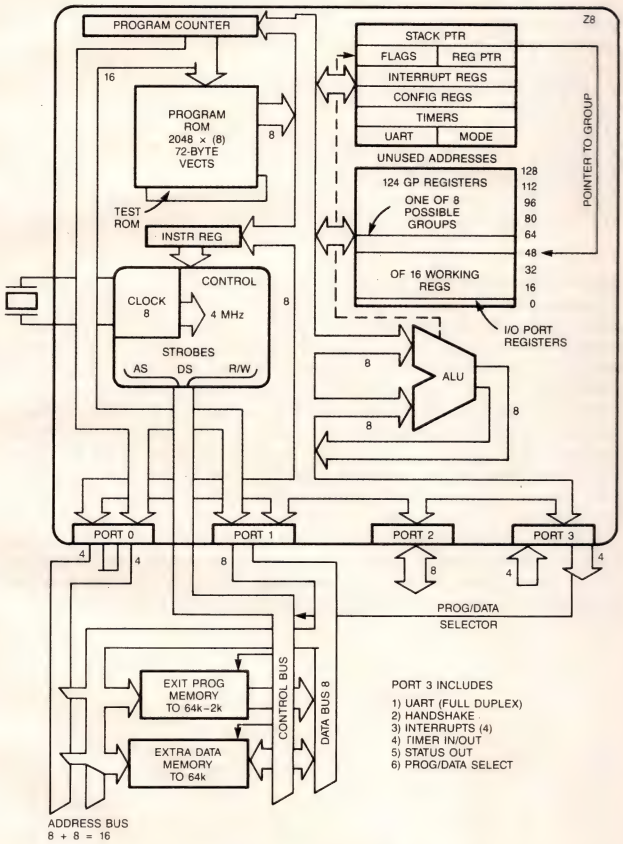

Hardware notes:
1. Diagram applies to basic 2k-byte version. Many other versions exist.
2. The 124 working registers (272 on Super8) are truly general purpose. Any one can be used as an accumulator or indexer.
3. The register pointer singles out a "workspace" of 16 working registers for fast access. Eight such workspaces are possible in the 124-register space (16 in Super8) and provide a mechanism for fast context switching upon interrupt.
4. SGS has not announced any CMOS Z8s. Instead it has introduced an S9 ASIC core in 1.5-μm CMOS. According to SGS, this core reaches 12 MHz (24-MHz external clock).

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
Add, add with carry, decimal adjust, increment byte and word, decrement byte and word, subtract, and subtract with borrow.
Multiply and divide added to Super8 version.
Logicals: AND, compare, complement, OR, and exclusive OR.
Rotates and swaps.
Bit manipulation: test under mask, test complement under mask, and logical tests of bits.

II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
Address modes: immediate, register, register pair, indirect register, indirect register pair, direct, indexed, and relative.
Block transfer: load constant autoincrement, load external autoincrement.
Load: clear, load, load constant, load external, and pop and push.

III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
Call, decrement-and-jump on nonzero, interrupt return, jump conditional, jump relative conditional, and return.

IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTRUCTIONS
Set, reset, and complement of carry flag.

Note: Ability to set, reset, and test any bit or combinations of as many as 8 bits lets any byte function as a user flag register.

Specification summary: Unique architecture with 3 memory spaces: program memory (0, 2k, 4k, or 8k bytes in internal masked ROM; rest to 64k bytes can be external), data memory (to 64k bytes external), and CPU register file (256-byte space that includes 124 general-purpose working register/accumulators). Executes 129 instructions at 0.6 to 3.0 μsec at 8-MHz internal clock (16-MHz oscillator). Has built-in duplex UART (96k bps) and two 8-bit timers, each with 6-bit prescaler. Enhanced Super8 has 352 bytes of on-chip data and control registers, 256 of which are general purpose. New multiply and divide instructions on Super8. Its on-chip peripheral functions include DMA, two 16-bit timer/counters, maximum of 40 I/O lines, full-duplex UART, and optional synchronous/asynchronous serial channel. Has 600-nsec interrupt response with 37 interrupt sources.

Software note:
The data- and program-manipulation instructions use the working registers in the CPU. The instructions that apply to the external data RAM are essentially just loads and stores. (There is a similarity to RISC philosophy.)

HARDWARE — SUPPORT — SOFTWARE

Development packages are available from JK Engineering (Singapore, 65-744-8414). In the US, IAM (Sacramento, CA) distributes JK Engineering's products. Development packages in various configurations are also available from Zilog Inc (Campbell, CA) and Inner Access (Belmont, CA). Emulation packages are available from Orion Instruments (Redwood City, CA), Microtek (Beaverton, OR), Creative Technology (Atlanta, GA), and Sophia Systems (Santa Clara, CA). This list isn't exhaustive.

Software development tools are available from Allen Ashley (Pasadena, CA), Avocet (Rockport, ME), Relational Memory Systems (San Jose, CA), and Western Wares (Norwood, CO). You can purchase compiler software from Micro Computer Compilers (Hopewell, NJ), 2500 AD (Buena Vista, CA), and Inner Access (Belmont, CA). This list isn't exhaustive.

7000 FAMILY

8-BIT CMOS

AVAILABILITY: Now.
COST: TI pricing: $1.60 to $3.50 (100k) for standard CMOS masked-ROM versions.
SECOND SOURCE: Microchip Technology and Seeq for NMOS versions only. Note that each supplier is extending the family in different directions, so direct second sourcing is limited.

Description: Software-compatible family of NMOS and CMOS 8-bit, expandable single-chip μCs. A full-duplex UART, enhanced timers, and interrupts are incorporated in high-end family members. Instructions typically perform combined load, operation, and store functions, thereby increasing overall system performance and code efficiency.

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Status: Primary supplier TI has switched its emphasis to CMOS models with expanded features. Low-end devices (70CT20/40) offer an alternative for designers who are using 4-bit μPs but seek a low-cost 8-bit alternative.

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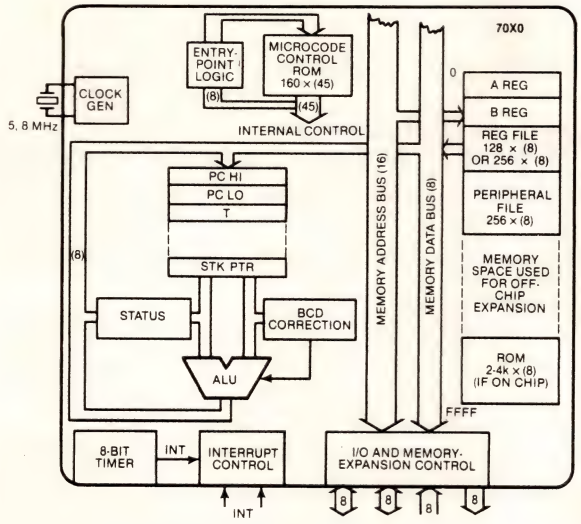


I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
Add, subtract, 8 × 8-bit multiply, and BCD.
Logicals, increment, and decrement.
Rotates right and left. Bit test.
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
Dual-operand moves avoid time wasted going through accumulator.
Apply to many instructions.
Indexing via B register.
16-bit moves.
III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Call and return.
Bit test and jump on both I/O and memory.
Conditional jumps using PC-relative addressing.
IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
Status register contains carry, sign, zero, and interrupt enable. Instructions to change carry and interrupt enable.

Specification summary: Unified-memory architecture in which application-program ROM (in EPROM), working registers, I/O registers, and some control registers all share common memory space of 64k bytes (except TI 70CTXX models). Low-end family members have 8-bit timer with capture latch and 5-bit prescaler; interrupt; 128 and 256 bytes of RAM; and 2k or 4k bytes of ROM. High-end 70C42 includes two 16-bit timers (one with capture latch), which are cascadable to 26 bits; a UART with an 8-bit timer for baud-rate generation (or usable as a third timer); programmable interrupts; 256 bytes of RAM; and 4k bytes of ROM. High-performance model operates to 6 MHz with basic microinstruction cycle taking 333 nsec. Most instructions take 5 to 9 cycles. Minimum instruction time is 1.25 μsec, which includes load, logic or arithmetic operations, and store. I/O to 32 pins with some models, including special functions such as UARTs and ADCs. NMOS and NMOS-EPROM devices require 5V supplies; CMOS operates over 2.5 to 6V V_{CC} and includes power-down modes. Available in 28- and 40-pin DIPs and 28- and 44-pin PLCCs.

TMS 7000 family matrix

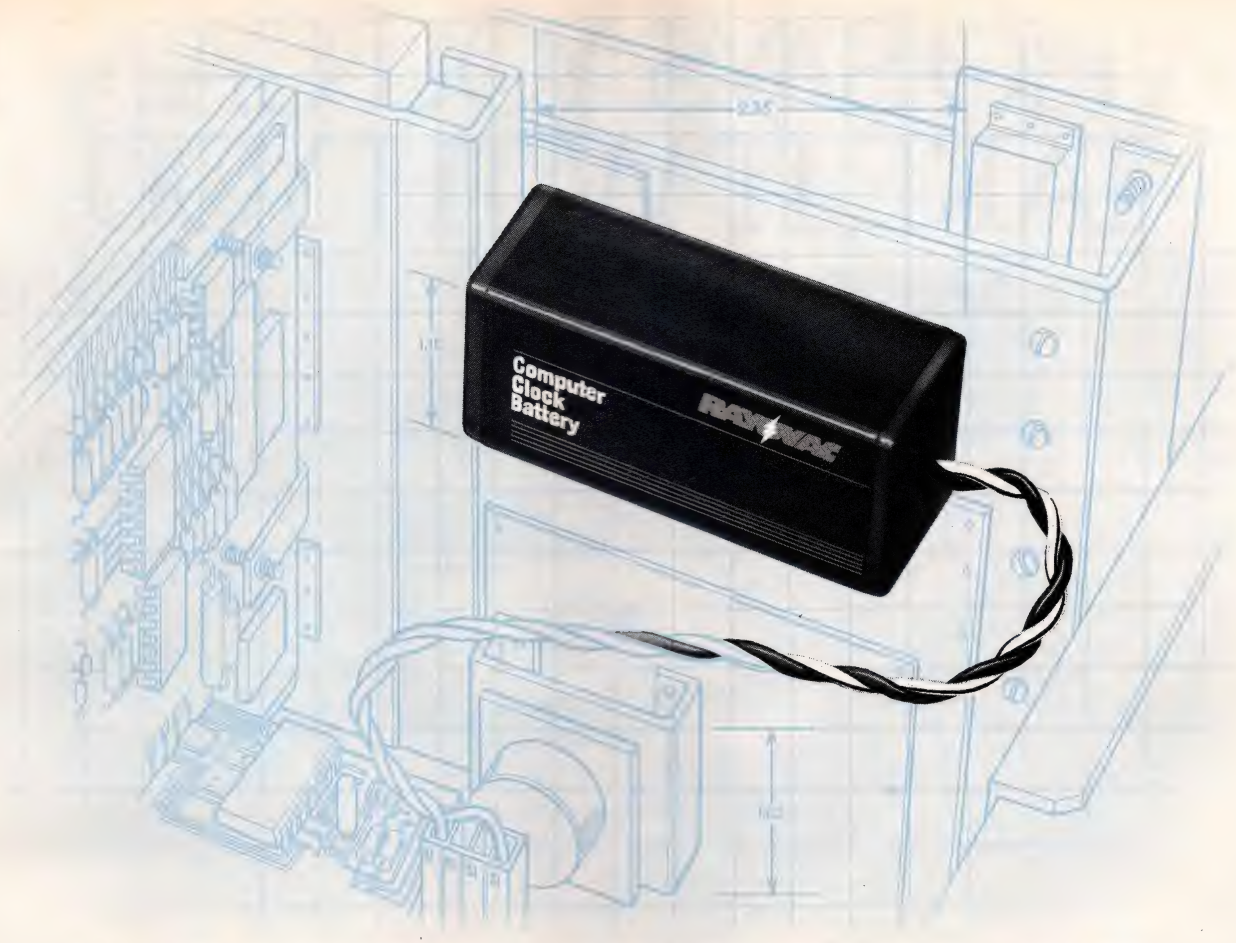
Model	ROM (bytes)	RAM (bytes)	Clock (MHz)	I/O	Interrupt levels	Timers	Serial port	Power required V	Power required mW
70C00	0	128	6	32	4	13 bit	—	2.5–6.0	30
70C20	2k	128	6	32	4	13 bit	—	2.5–6.0	30
70CT20	2k	128	6	20	4	13 bit	—	4.5–5.5	30
70C40	4k	128	6	32	4	13 bit	—	2.5–6.0	30
70CT40	4k	128	6	20	4	13 bit	—	4.5–5.5	30
70C02	0	256	6	32	6	21, 21, 10 bit	UART	2.5–6.0	30
70C42	4k	256	6	32	6	21, 21, 10 bit	UART	2.5–6.0	30

Hardware note:
Supplier uses a "strip-chip" architecture to keep registers and control elements in isolated, self-contained modules in silicon, then uses a single layer of metal to interconnect chip. This approach is similar to the cell-library, semicustom approach and useful for the same reason. Changes can be made easily, which helps TI bring out new models or give large customers special variants.

HARDWARE — SUPPORT — SOFTWARE

From TI: XDS development system ($5900). It provides in-circuit emulation, target-system debug (with breakpoints and logic-state trace), and RS-232C link to host computer or terminal. EVM evaluation board ($795) provides in-circuit emulation, programs SE77C42 and EPROMs, and has serial interface to standard terminals. Piggyback devices accept 27C64 and 27C128 EPROMs. SE70CP160 CMOS piggyback device supports prototyping for 70C20, 70CT20, 70CT40, and 70C40 μCs. SE70CP162 CMOS piggybacking device and SE77C42 support prototyping for 70C42.

From TI: Cross-assembler and linker to run on MS-DOS-based PC that may serve as host for XDS. DEC VAX VMS assembler/linker support is also available.
From Cybernetic Micro Systems (San Gregoria, CA): Assembler, simulator, and debugger to run on IBM PC.
From Allen Ashley (Pasadena, CA): Cross-assemblers and emulators to run on IBM PC.
Literature: TI 7000 family data manual with applications.



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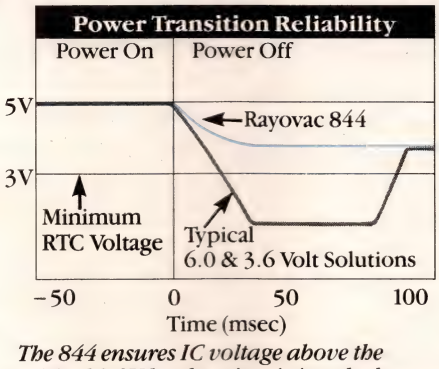

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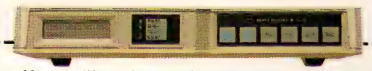

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SECOND SOURCE: 8085: NEC, Toshiba, and Mitsubishi. 80C85: Harris, Newbridge Microsystems, and Oki. Harris supplies nuclear-radiation-hardened CMOS to military and aerospace customers.
CORE: Newbridge offers 80C85B macrocells in its ASIC library.

Description: Based on the older 8080 μP, this family has proven to be a good general-purpose, midrange μP, though not the most efficient one for small programs. 8085 executes 8080 instructions, but with simpler hardware. Z80 (see pg 120) is an enhanced 8080 but has different package pinouts and bus operation. The new 8086 (see pg 128) is only vaguely software compatible, but the 8-bit-bus 8088 version of 8086 can interface to 8080 and 8085 peripherals.

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Status: The venerable 8080—the μP that gave legitimacy to the μP revolution—is obsolete. Sales of the 8085 are also falling off, according to Dataquest figures.

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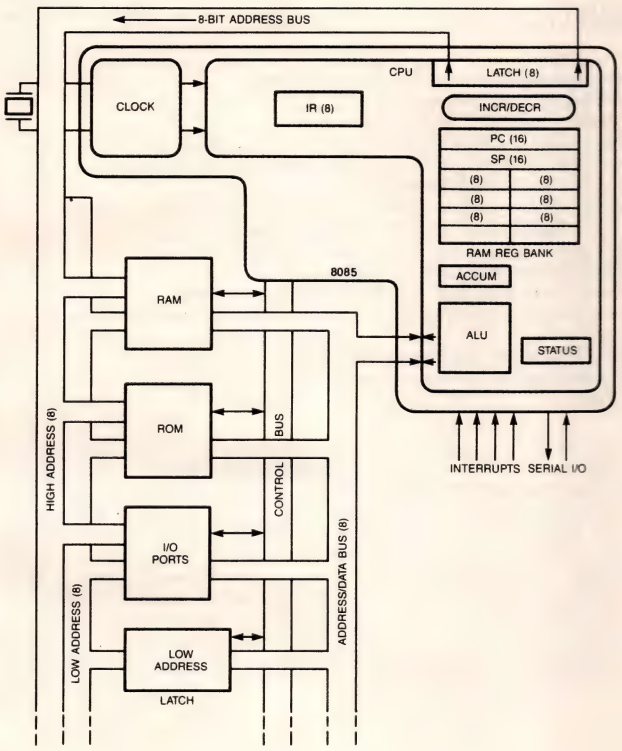

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
Arithmetic and logic.
BCD arithmetic.
Double-precision operations (instructions string 2 data bytes together as 16-bit word).
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
Uses 3 pairs of so-called general-purpose registers as pointers in CPU RAM bank to address low- and high-order bits of 16-bit memory address. Can perform multiple indexing with these, but takes additional steps compared with classical index-register concept. 8085 has two additional instructions—RIM and SIM—that interface with new serial-I/O pins and interrupt system.
III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Uses stack pointer to create LIFO stacks in external RAM for unlimited subroutine nesting.
All GP registers can be incremented and decremented.
Multiple-interrupt capability.
Bus controls allow addition of DMA.
IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
Software access to status register.

Specification summary: Common instruction and data architecture (64k bytes) with optionally separate I/O space (256 addresses). Three 16-bit pointer registers allow efficient addressing of 64k-byte main-memory space. 78 basic instructions with 2-μsec (typ) register-to-accumulator addition-execute time. 8085A has on-chip clock and needs only 5V. 5-MHz and CMOS versions of the 8085A available. The Newbridge Microsystems (Calmos) version officially supports the extended 8085 instruction set.

Hardware note:
The 8085 differs from the 8080 in that the 8085 has an on-chip clock, needs only a 5V supply, and has relaxed memory-access time. But because it multiplexes the lower 8 bits of address on data bus, it's not pin compatible with 8080. New pins gained by multiplexing implement address-latch strobe, four additional interrupts, and two serial-I/O lines. For small "few-chip" μP systems, a designer can use 8155/56 and 8355/8755 combo chips with built-in address latches.

HARDWARE SUPPORT SOFTWARE

Most of the vendors of third-party μP development systems have included 8080/8085 development components as a routine part of their catalogs. Typically, these systems use IBM PCs as hosts.

Most of the many companies that supply 8080/8085 development systems also supply the software. Also, many software houses have 8080/8085 software in every conceivable category.

Z80

8-BIT NMOS AND CMOS

AVAILABILITY: Now for 6-, 8-, 10-, and 20-MHz NMOS and CMOS versions.

COST: Because of the many aggressive second sources for this most widely used part, NMOS prices have dropped to between $0.80 and $1.10; CMOS prices have dropped to between $1 and $1.20 in high volume. The 10-MHz CMOS part costs $2.50 (100).

SECOND SOURCE: Goldstar, NEC, SGS Thomson, Sharp, and Toshiba. Goldstar, SGS Thomson, Sharp, and Toshiba, as well as Zilog, have CMOS versions. Additional sources mentioned by Zilog are VLSI Technology and Rohm.

CORE: Zilog and Hitachi use the Z80 μP as an ASIC core in their enhanced versions of this core, the 64180 and Z280. Zilog, Hitachi, and Toshiba are building a range of specialized processors around the Z80 core.

Description: Superset of widely used 8080/85; adds hardware and software features. Not pin-for-pin compatible with 8080 or 8085 but can use 8080 software and peripherals—although to do so would not take full advantage of Z80 and its peripherals, and it might require additional logic for interfacing. The Z80 and its peripherals are now available in quad flatpacks and all peripherals have been upgraded to run at 10 MHz. The 20-MHz version is only available from Zilog.

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Status: By far the most successful 8-bit μP. The Z80 is still being used in new designs but may be superseded by the new enhanced versions. Of these, the Zilog Z180/Hitachi 64180 seems to be the most popular, but the Zilog Z280 represents the greatest Z80 enhancement. The Z80's momentum will probably last for the rest of this century, especially in ASIC-core form.

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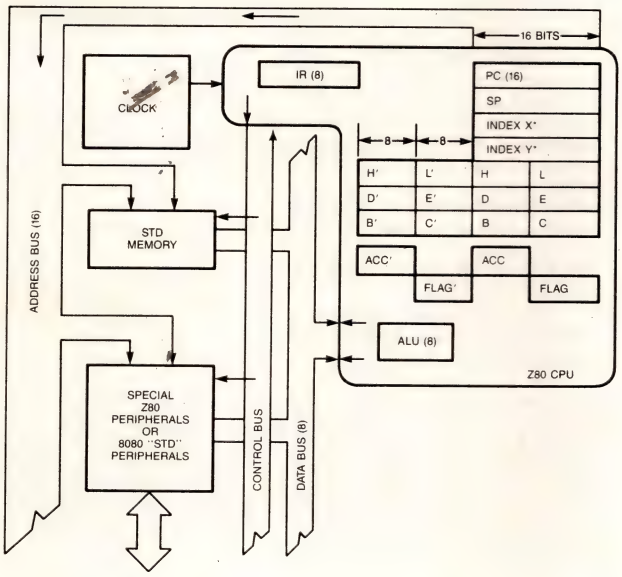

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
8-bit arithmetic and logic.
16-bit arithmetic BCD add and subtract.
Nine types of rotate and shift directly on any register or memory location.
Can set, reset, or test bit in any register or memory location.
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
8- or 16-bit register or memory loads.
Two index registers allow indexed addressing.
Extensive memory-block move/search commands.
III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Uses 16-bit stack pointer with LIFO stack with RAM.
Relative-jump capability. Interrupt capability with three types of selectable response.
IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
Seven flag bits, including arithmetic and overflow, can be stored and tested.

Specification summary: Upwardly compatible with 8080A software but adds 50 instructions, some of which are advance block-move and block-search macros. Instructions executed in 0.5 to 1.8 μsec (1.5 μsec avg) for 8-MHz Z80 and 1.0 to 5.5 μsec (2 μsec avg) for 4-MHz Z80A. 6-, 8-, 10-, and 20-MHz versions are also available. User can switch between two identical banks of CPU registers for fast response to interrupts. NMOS circuitry requires single-phase clock and one 5V supply at 60 mA for Z80, 90 mA for Z80A. TTL-compatible I/O and built-in automatic-refresh signals for dynamic RAMs. MIL-temperature parts available. CMOS version consumes only 15 mA at 4 MHz and less than 10 μA in power-down (clock-stopped) mode. NMOS and CMOS versions available in DIP, quad flatpack, and PLCC.

Hardware notes:
1. Support chips include peripheral interface, timer, serial communications, and DMA. All provide daisy-chained vectored interrupt for CPU and are being converted to CMOS.
2. All Z80 enhancements are in CMOS. The first is the Zilog Z180/Hitachi 64180, to which many Z80 designers are converting. The second is the supplier's Z280, which boosts the Z80 into minicomputer performance. In addition, the NEC 78XX single-chip device is similar. Most are covered elsewhere in this directory.

HARDWARE — SUPPORT — SOFTWARE

Some of the many third parties that supply Z80 hardware support are Applied Micro, Boston Systems, Emulogic, Hewlett-Packard, Huntsville Microsystems, Nicolet, Orion, Sophia Systems, Tektronix, Zax, and Z-World. Contact nearest Zilog sales office for more information.

A variety of software supports the Z80 including assemblers and cross-assemblers, software simulators, high-level-language compilers, the venerable CP/M operating system (Digital Research), and the MS/X operating system, which is popular in Japan. Other third-party suppliers include 2500 AD, Archimedes, Avocet Systems, Enertec, Huntsville Micro, Softaid, Software Development Systems, Microtec Research, and Z-World.

Z180, HD64180

8-BIT CMOS

AVAILABILITY: Now for 6-, 8-, and 10-MHz parts.
COST: For 10-MHz Z180, $12 (100) and $8 (1000). For 6-MHz HD64180, $7 (100) and $6 (1000).
SECOND SOURCE: None.
CORE: Zilog and Hitachi consider the basic Z180 and 64180 a standard cell for building high-integration μPs and μCs.

Description: Jointly developed enhancement of Z80 with various peripheral functions such as memory management (to reach larger, 1M-byte memory space), 2 DMA channels, 2 serial ports, and timers added on CMOS CPU chip. Z-suffix versions are totally compatible with Z80-family peripherals chips. Both Z- and R-suffix devices interface to the 6800 and Intel 80xx series buses.

Status: CMOS enhancements to the widely used Z80. Has on-chip memory-management unit (MMU), multiple DMA channels, and UART. These chips don't have sophisticated big-computer features, such as separate privileged "system" control registers, nor do they have a cache. Both the Z180 and 64180's MMUs translate between the Z80 64k-byte address space and their own 1M-byte space. These families have received a boost from all Z80 users and third-party supporters of the venerable Z80.

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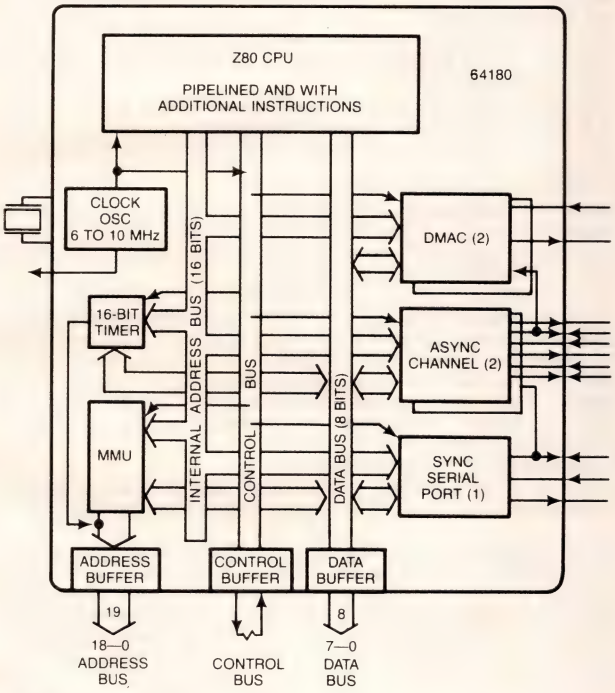

Hardware notes:
1. Diagram is for basic core. Both Zilog and Hitachi are expanding upon this core.
2. The 647180x is a single-chip version of the 64180 and adds 16k bytes of one-time-programmable EPROM, 512 bytes of RAM, 54 I/O pins, a 16-bit timer, and a 6-channel analog comparator. It comes in 84-pin PLCCs, 80-pin flatpacks, and 90-pin shrink DIPs. Because of EPROM, Hitachi bills this style μC as a zero-turnaround-time part, saying it is cost-effective in volumes as great as 10k. Hitachi also sells the part in windowed 84-pin leadless chip carriers to aid development.

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
Unsigned 8 × 8-bit = 16-bit multiply.
Nondestructive ANDs for comparing I/O ports, immediate data, and memory to accumulator.
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
Immediately addressed locations.
Block output to I/O. Must set up MMU bank registers to translate between 64k bytes of Z80 and 512k bytes external.
V—POWER-SAVING INSTRUCTIONS
Sleep command disconnects processor from clock. Interrupt or reset will reconnect.

Specification summary: Object-code compatible with Z80 (and 8080, 8085). Pipelined CPU. On-chip MMU generates 19 bits (512k bytes external physical address space) in the DIP package and 20 bits (1M byte external) in surface-mount packages. 2-channel direct-memory-access controller, 2-channel asynchronous serial port, synchronous (clocked) serial port. Can interface to 8080 or 6800/6500 buses (Z-suffixed versions are matched to Z80-family peripherals). CMOS versions provide 50 mW at 4-MHz operation; lower power in sleep and halt modes. Packaged in 64-pin DIP and 68-pin PLCC.

Software notes:
1. Only new instructions beyond Z80 instructions listed.
2. The MMU adds base registers to Z80 16-bit addresses to produce the 19-bit addresses needed externally.
3. Trap interrupt can be used both for catching undefined op codes and for letting users extend instruction set.

HARDWARE — SUPPORT — SOFTWARE

From Zilog: Zilog offers a Z180 and serial communications controller (SCC) applications board to test and evaluate the chips.
From Hitachi: ASE Adaptive System Emulator ($7000) plus H6805M01S, a 256k-byte memory board for use with IBM PC, HP6400, or DEC VAX as host. Real-time operation as fast as 8 MHz and real-time tracer buffer for 2048 machine cycles. All hardware lines are captured, and the trace is automatically disassembled.
From Others: American Automation AA 572-64180 real-time in-circuit emulator for use with the company's E2-PRO development host.
Hewlett-Packard and Tektronix offer support on their development systems and logic analyzers.
Contact suppliers for the many other third-party vendors.

Microtec Research (Santa Clara, CA) supplies macroassembler, utilities, Pascal, and C compilers (to run on IBM PC and DEC VAX hosts). Avocet (Rockport, ME) and Allen Ashley (Pasadena, CA) have announced IBM PC-based assemblers. Hitachi provides help so that the additional 64180 instructions can be treated as macros on a Z80 macroassembler. Boston Systems Office (Waltham, MA) offers a VAX-hosted assembler ($1200). Software compatible with CP/M (Digital Research) and MSX (Microsoft) operating systems (latter being result of project for Japanese market).
American Automation has cross software to go with development hardware (assembler, C compiler, and debugger).
Archimedes (San Francisco, CA) offers a C compiler ($995 for IBM PC; $3995 for MicroVAX; and $7995 for VAX).

AVAILABILITY: Now.
COST: As with other mature μPs, costs have dropped, in this case to a couple of dollars per μP), except when a part is at end of its life, in which case prices might rise again.
SECOND SOURCE: Hitachi and SGS Thomson.

Description: The 8-bit 6800 CPU was the original part in the family named after it. That family has been broadened to include not only the 2-chip 6802/6846 and 6809 covered here but also the single-chip 6801, the low-end single-chip devices, and the 6804 and the 6805. Note, however, that new CPU members aren't precisely compatible with the original 6800, especially at the low and high ends. Even the 6809 is only software compatible with the original 6800 at source-code level.

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Status: Introduced in 1974, the 6800 has been the foundation of one of the longest lived and broadest μP families. Among its progeny are the 6809 covered here and the following Motorola μPs and μCs, which are described elsewhere in this directory: the 6804, 6805, 6801, and 68HC11. The 6800 is now past its prime and is not recommended for new designs; we retain it in the directory for reference. But the newer 6802 and 6809 continue to be shipped in volume. For new designs, Motorola steers designers either upwards to the 16- and 32-bit 68000 family (68008 has an 8-bit bus) or downwards to the 68HC11.

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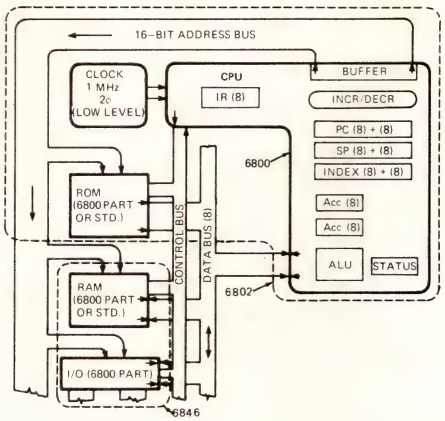

Part	Description	Clock speed (MHz)	ROM ×(8)	RAM ×(8)	Cost (100 qty)
6800	CPU needs 2-phase clock	1–2	—	—	$4–$5
6802	CPU clock & RAM	1–2 (4-MHz ext)	—	128	$4–$5
6809	CPU	2	—	—	$5–$6
6309	CPU CMOS	3	—	—	$9.50

Hardware notes:
1. Diagram shows 6800 and 6802. The 6809 has another 16-bit index and a second "user" stack pointer, which make the 6809 more powerful than the 6800; these additional resources give the 6809 many more instructions. On simple benchmarks, the 6809 is 270% faster than the equivalent-speed 6800, programs in 42% fewer instructions, and uses 33% less code.
2. Basic 6809 version has on-chip clock. Minimum system results with the following parts: 6809, 6810, and 6846. 6809E version has off-chip clock. An early valid-memory-address (VMA) signal on 6809E allows 3-MHz bus operation with a 2-MHz memory. External clock permits multiprocessing.
3. The MMU (6829) allows the 6809 to run 32 concurrent protected tasks per management unit in a 2M-byte address space.
4. Hitachi CMOS version (6309) has 2-, 2.5-, and 3-MHz bus timing; the Sync and CWAI instructions allow a low-power sleep mode. Modify table from Nov 23, 1989, pg 130.

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
Arithmetic and logic.
Instructions to take advantage of two accumulators.
6809 has unsigned 8×8-bit multiply with 16-bit product.
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
Can reach the first 256 locations of memory with short instructions.
6809 can use four index registers for merging three source blocks into one destination block.
Can autoincrement and autodecrement by 1 or 2 directly and indirectly.
Page zero can be software relocated during program execution, effectively increasing its size.
Indexing uses the "true indexing" relationship between base and offset (0, 5, 8, 16 bits) rather than the 6800 relationship.
Can utilize the user stack for Polish-notation operations or interpretive languages.
III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Has PDP-11-type branches and conditional branches. Unlimited subroutine nesting via stack pointer addressing LIFO stacks in RAM.
Does not have vectored interrupt but can achieve function with software or with 6828 priority interrupt controller.
6809 has extensive relative addressing with wide reach, which allows creation of position-independent code and opens door to use of off-the-shelf, mass-produced standard firmware in ROMs.
IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
6809 has instructions for manipulating the status register (condition-code register). It may be transferred or exchanged with any 8-bit register or pushed or pulled on either stack; any number of flag bits may be set or cleared in one instruction.
V—POWER-SAVING INSTRUCTIONS
6309 has SYNC and CWAI to put CMOS CPU in sleep mode. Sync instruction stops μP until it gets go-ahead signal from interrupt line.

Specification summary for 6800: Common-memory architecture with 16-bit (64k-byte) memory space for instructions, data, and I/O; all data 8 bits wide. Instruction set patterned after the PDP-11 mini as closely as possible in shorter word machine with limited CPU registers. Execution times from 2 to 5 μsec. NMOS circuitry requires one 5V supply, 500 mW; housed in 40-pin DIP. Versions with −55 to +125°C range also available.

Specification summary for 6809: An 8-bit machine with extensive 16-bit addressing capability. Has two 16-bit index registers and a 16-bit user stack pointer that can also be software-specified as a third index register. Upwardly compatible with 6800, but only at source-code level. Bus operates at 2 MHz, so basic speed is similar to that of 6800, but greater efficiency of 16-bit addressing increases throughput. Instruction set has 59 mnemonics and 7 addressing selections for a total of 1464 instruction-addressing options. Instructions vary in length from 1 to 5 bytes, with register-inherent operations executing in 1 μsec at 2-MHz bus speed (320-nsec memory access). Longest instruction takes 20 cycles. The 6800 direct or page-zero register is retained but can be software relocated anywhere in memory via programmable register. The chip requires one 5V supply. Two versions, each in 40-pin DIP.

HARDWARE SUPPORT SOFTWARE

From Motorola: Emulators range from low-cost (hundreds of dollars) boards to HDS-300 system (about $5000) plus personality modules ($5000).
Support systems and OEM boards available from Motorola Semiconductor Div, 5005 E McDowell Rd, Phoenix, AZ 85008. Phone (602) 244-6900 or (602) 438-3500.
From others: Tektronix and Hewlett-Packard development systems support the 6800. Micro Industries (Westerville, OH) says it has acquired an exclusive license to Motorola's "Micromodule" 8-bit boards.

From Motorola: You can obtain software free for downloading over phone lines by calling (512) 440-3733. The basic assemblers and other tools are for IBM PC.
Two versions of Basic are available for the 6809: Basic-M and Basic09. The latter is designed to be fast and to permit structured programming. A Pascal compiler diskette is available.

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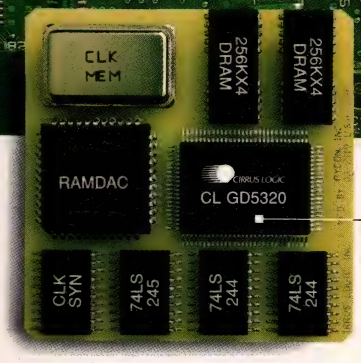

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AVAILABILITY: Now.
COST: WDC's CMOS prices range from $4 in lower speed, high volume to $31.32 for high speed, lower volume.
SECOND SOURCE: WDC created and licensed most of the CMOS designs. It has licensed Rockwell, California Micro Devices, NCR, ITT-Intermetall in West Germany, and about 20 other companies.
CORE: WDC has developed the semicustom 6502 core as NCR and others now use it. Many suppliers now specify it as part of their cell libraries.

Description: Original design team's goal was to achieve as much PDP-11-style addressing capability as would fit in an economical chip. Because of the μP's short 8-bit index registers, it is optimally suited only to applications requiring access of smaller blocks of memory, although it benchmarks ahead of most other 8-bit μPs with respect to its speed of execution of high-level languages, such as Basic and Pascal. New CMOS parts consume little power and have small economical die that gets still smaller with today's finer geometries. See 6500/1 for single-chip versions and 65SC816/802 for 16-bit-internal version.

Originator of 6502 Commodore (Westchester, PA) no longer sells chips to the merchant market. WDC developed CMOS version.

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Status: The falling share of market for this μP appears to indicate that it has reached the end of its life cycle. However, the architecture lives on in the form of single-chip versions (see 6500/1 and especially the 50740 in this directory) and ASIC versions. Some of these have very large unit volumes, so the 6502 architecture may remain, by volume, the leading 8-bit architecture in the world.

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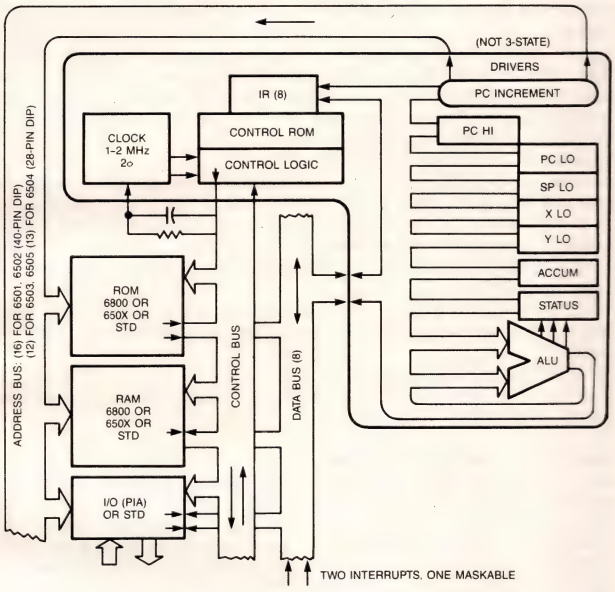

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
Arithmetic and logic. Decimal mode via control bit in status register. Can operate on locations in memory space, which can be either RAM or I/O ports. CMOS parts have bit manipulation.
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
True indexed addressing, although index offset is limited to 8 bits in 2 CPU registers—X and Y. Short-form addressing to zero page. Has two sophisticated indirect-indexed and indexed-indirect instructions for handling tables. CMOS parts have indexed-absolute indirect and zero-page indirect.
III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Conditional branches with signed relative addresses. Nonmaskable and/or maskable interrupt, depending on model. CMOS parts have branches on bit test.
Stack pointer for implementing 256-byte LIFO in external RAM.
IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
Push and pull status register from memory stack. Set and clear carry, decimal mode, and interrupt bits. 6502 and 6512 have external input to one status bit, useful for handshaking with peripherals.
V—POWER-SAVING INSTRUCTIONS
Wait and Stop on 65C02, respectively, stop processor and disconnect clock to lower power consumption. New operating voltage range of 1.2 to 5.25V with an I_{DD} of 0.1 μA/kHz at 2.8V.

Specification summary: Common-memory architecture with instructions, data, and I/O in same 64k-byte space; 57 instructions (68 for CMOS). Many instructions provide choice of 13 PDP-11-type addressing modes (15 for CMOS). Advanced indexed-indirect addressing mode. NMOS and CMOS silicon-gate, depletion-mode circuitry requires one 5V, 250-mV supply. Some CMOS parts can run at 8-MHz clock frequency (125 nsec/cycle). CMOS parts require 4 mA/MHz for operation and 10 μW for standby. Although it supplies the μPs in DIPs and PLCCs, WDC recommends using the 44-pin PLCC for higher performance and reliability.

Notes on CMOS versions:
1. CMOS 65CXX family members are slight enhancements of NMOS counterparts and can serve as plug-in replacements.
2. Among hardware enhancements are a new 4-phase clock that gives decreased memory access time and a memory-lock output and bus-enable input that simplify multiprocessor designs.
3. Among the software enhancements are the treating of all unused op codes as NOPs and removing the page-boundary restrictions on JMP indirect.
4. Decimal mode is automatically set off upon reset or interrupt, and the N, V, and Z flags are made active during decimal mode.
5. A BRK followed by interrupt is executed.
6. See instruction set for comments on new instructions.

HARDWARE — SUPPORT — SOFTWARE

From Rockwell: LCE emulator ($1250), which interfaces to IBM PC host. **Western Design Center** recommends using Hewlett-Packard (Colorado Springs, CO) logic analyzers.
From California Micro Devices: GEM-I ICE package ($3750) capable of interfacing with a variety of host computers including ISIS development system and Apple. Functions as a stand-alone assembler and disassembler using a nonintelligent terminal. Evaluation board for 65SC150 ($499) that functions as in-circuit system when coupled with GEM-I.
From NCR: Hardware emulator interfaces to Apple IIe through RS-232C port. Allows complete in-circuit software debugging.
From Dynatem (Irvine, CA): AIM-65 single-board computer and RM industrial modules.

From California Micro Devices: 65SC00 macroassembler for Apple Computer ($100), assembler for Intel ISIS ($1800), and Fortran assembler ($1800).
From NCR: Monitor for use in conjunction with emulator. Supports breakpoint, change memory and registers, software trace, and real-time execution.
From others: Because the 6500 has been so widely used, there are innumerable sources of software at different language levels: for example, Byte Works (Albuquerque, NM), S-C Software (Dallas, TX), Roger-Wagner Publishing (El Cajon, CA), and 2500 AD (Aurora, CO).

AVAILABILITY: Now.
COST: Under $10 (1000) for NMOS 8086/88, under $15 (1000) for CMOS 8086/88. Siemens' NMOS parts are under $4.50 (1000).
SECOND SOURCE: For 8086/8088: AMD, Harris, Matra-Harris, Fujitsu, Siemens, and OKI.

Description: The 8086, 8088, and their low-power CMOS implementations (80C86/80C88) share a 16-bit internal architecture that has a software base of more than 10,000 DOS applications. The 8088 (used in the original IBM PC and its clones) has an 8-bit external data bus to allow the manufacture of lower cost systems with full 16-bit software capability.

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Status: Next to the 8080/Z80 family, the 8086 family has been the most successful μP family. Its most visible application has been in the IBM PC and its many clones.

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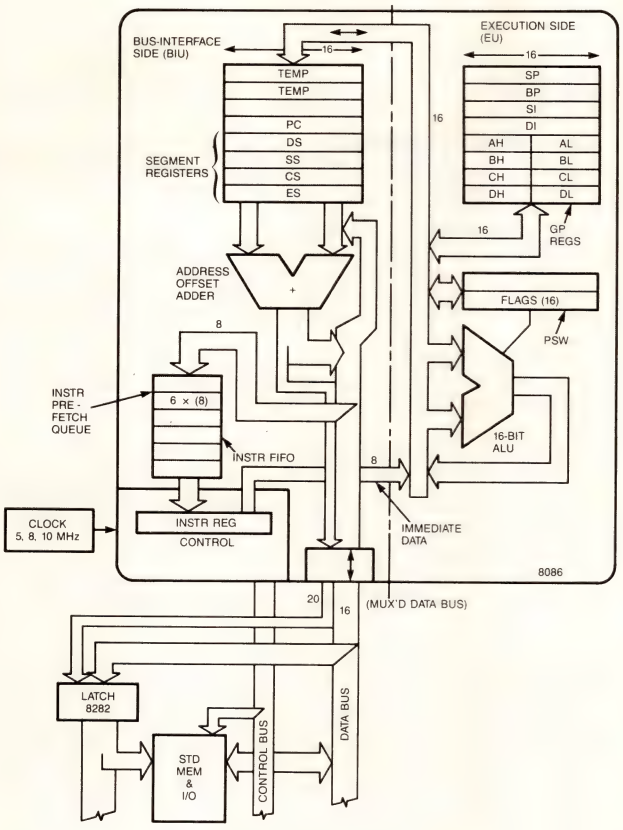

Hardware notes:
1. Diagram is for initial family member, 8086.
2. 8088 is downgraded version of 8086. It has only 8-bit-wide external data output bus (only 8 lower bits of address bus are multiplexed for data). Some pin functions have been changed. Prefetch queue is only 4 bytes (to prevent overuse of bus). Instruction execution is slower because all 16-bit fetches and writes take 4 extra cycles.

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
8-bit signed and unsigned arithmetic in binary or decimal, including multiply and divide.
Logicals.
Bit, byte, word, and block operations.
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
Addressing modes include literal, relative (to register and to segment), register, base-plus index, and base-relative indexed.
Use of segment registers: Programmer can, through software, set up four areas in memory with four segment registers—a program area, a stack area, and two data areas. These areas need not be full 64k bytes, and they can overlap. Programmer can alter the four area locations by modifying the segment-register contents.
III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Has call, jump, and return instructions both inside program segments and to different segments. Intrasegment call and jump use self-relative displacement for position-independent code. Conditional jump upon Boolean functions of flags within ±128 bytes of instruction. Iteration control of loops, a repeat prefix for rapid iteration in hardware-repeated string operations.
Note: Jumps can occupy varying amounts of execution time, because with BIU's instruction prefetch, the program counter can be ahead of itself.
IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
In addition to 8080/85 flags: overflow, interrupt enable, direction (for strings), and single-step trap flags.

Specification summary for 8086/88: 16-bit CPU that can reach 1M byte using "segment" address-extension registers. Register-to-register operations execute at 0.6 μsec with 5-MHz clock (0.37 μsec with 8-MHz clock). HMOS ion-implanted, depletion-load, silicon-gate circuitry; requires 5V at 340 mA (substrate bias generated on chip). In 40-pin DIP, device is pin programmed to switch eight pins from minimum to maximum external system mode. Harris CMOS 8086 dissipates only 10 mA/MHz when running; clock can be stopped for 500 μA standby.

HARDWARE — SUPPORT — SOFTWARE

From Intel: I²ICE in-circuit emulator ($8495) supports 8086/8088 to 10 MHz. Emulators are hosted on IBM PC. All ICEs provide windowed, menu-driven, source-level display and μP debugging. Performance analysis tool (iPAT) consists of a hardware base unit, an interface to ICE, and host software for the IBM PC/XT and PC/AT. iPAT provides high-level access to target-system performance analysis and test-case code-coverage analysis for the 8086/8088.
From others: Because of popularity, family is widely supported by third-party universal development systems.

From Intel: Macroassembler, including linker, locator, mapper, and librarian. High-level-language compilers include PL/M, C, Fortran, and Pascal. DB-86 software debugger provides windowed, menu-driven, source-level debugging with full source-code display. Hosts include PC-DOS and VAX/VMS. Prices start at $750 (for DOS versions).
From others: Because of wide base of 8086/8088-based systems, particularly the IBM PC, there exists third-party software of all sorts, enough to fill whole catalogs. Check with Intel and various trade journals.

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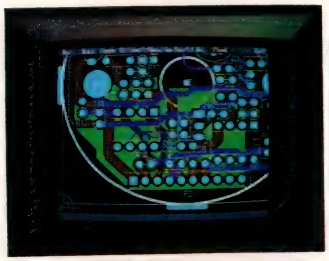

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Z280

8/16-BIT CMOS

AVAILABILITY: Now.
COST: About $18 in large volumes.
SECOND SOURCE: None announced, but supplier claims it has strong interest from major European and Far East semiconductor houses.

CORE: Zilog is incorporating elements of Z280 in its megacell library, so it can rapidly put together new combinations. The company claims it can turn around a semicustom design using its megacells in a matter of days. However, it does not plan to offer ASIC tools to customers.

Description: Enhanced Z80 μP, upgraded to the point that it has most of the features of larger 16/32-bit machines. It has "privileged" system-control hardware and associated software for multiuser, multitasking operating systems. It has memory management for virtual memory and incorporates cache to achieve high throughput with moderate-speed external memories.

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Status: The Z280 became available in late 1987. Basically, the Z280 lets designers upgrade Z80-based PCs into multiuser systems that have large virtual memories and, claims Zilog, high performance. Compared with other Z80 enhancements, such as the Zilog Z180/Hitachi 64180, the Z280 offers a greater performance edge. Zilog is also pushing the Z280 as an upgrade for dedicated systems using Z80s as embedded controllers.

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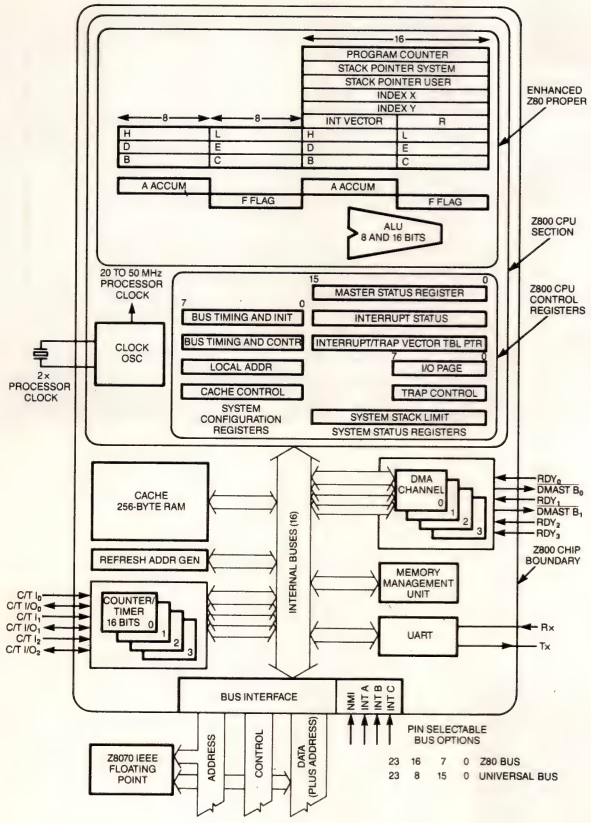

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
16 × 16-bit = 32-bit multiply and 32/16-bit = 16-bit divide.
Extended block mode manipulates data in blocks.
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
Addressing modes for more general 16-bit use of Z80's 16-bit registers (HL, DE, BC pairs).
Instructions to communicate with coprocessors.
III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Jump on auxiliary accumulator/flag.
Jump on auxiliary register file in use.
System call.
IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
Master status register; see category V instructions.
V—SYSTEM CONTROL INSTRUCTIONS
Instructions for added system-control registers. These are privileged instructions to permit operating system to define the system configuration upon start-up, to use the new system stack pointer, master status register, and to set up the cache's operation mode.

Specification summary: The Z80 is upwardly enhanced toward a general-register 16-bit minicomputer. On-chip memory management to address as many as 16M bytes of external memory. CPU is 3-stage pipelined with on-chip 256-byte program and data cache to automatically keep recently used instructions on chip for fast execution at 10-MHz internal bus clock. The I/O is pin programmable to match either 8-bit Z80 bus or 16-bit "universal" bus. Also included on chip are four 16-bit timer/counters, 4 DMA channel controllers, dynamic-memory refresh control, and a serial UART port. The Z280 will be fabricated in static CMOS and housed in 68-pin PLCC; other options planned for future as requested by customers.

Hardware notes:
1. Diagram indicates how basic Z80 CPU has been enhanced by adding other functions to the chip. Not so apparent are other enhancements to the Z80 CPU, such as more powerful, generalized 16-bit data and addressing operations.
2. The integration not only lowers system cost, but provides a speed advantage: When all subsystems are on chip, the system speed automatically increases.

Software note: Only those instructions that are enhancements of basic Z80 set are covered. Otherwise, the Z280 is object-code compatible with Z80 (and 8080).

HARDWARE — SUPPORT — SOFTWARE

From Zilog: Z280 Evaluation board.
From others: Softaid (Columbia, MD) has a low-cost real-time development system, and CDS ((704) 876-2346) offers evaluation boards for several popular buses. Logic analyzers are sold by Hewlett-Packard and Tektronix.

From Zilog: You can obtain a debug monitor program and a cross-assembler with Zilog's evaluation board. Zilog plans no other software support.
From others: 2500 AD is shipping a cross-assembler and is reported to be working on a C compiler. CDS offers both a cross-assembler and a C complier.

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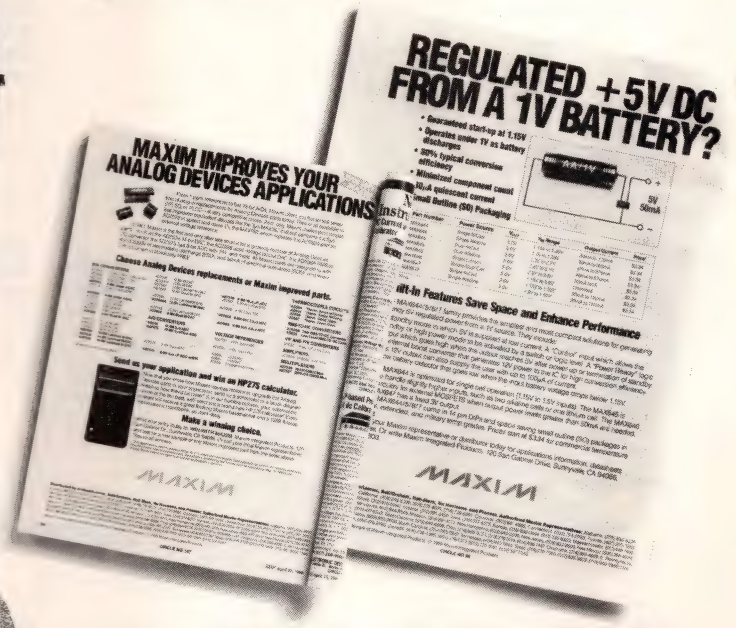

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H8 FAMILY

8/16-BIT CMOS

AVAILABILITY: Now for production quantities of the H8/532. H8/520 is sampling.
COST: For 10 MHz, the H8/532 costs $18 (10,000) in masked ROM versions and $25 for one-time programmable versions.
SECOND SOURCE: None.
CORE: Hitachi considers the basic H8/500 CPU as a standard cell for building high-integration μPs and μCs.

Description: The H8/532 and H8/520 are the initial devices in the family. The 16-bit internal architecture will include various ROM and RAM sizes, as well as a mix of peripherals. All will be available in masked ROM and zero-turn-around-time, one-time programmable versions.

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Status: The H8/532 is the vendor's highest performance microcontroller for real-time control applications. The H8/532 is involved in a legal battle with Motorola's 68030. As of press time, neither party has dropped current litigation pending a final agreement. However, to avoid delivery impact, Hitachi and Motorola have agreed to stays of the judgment concerning the H8/532 and 68030.

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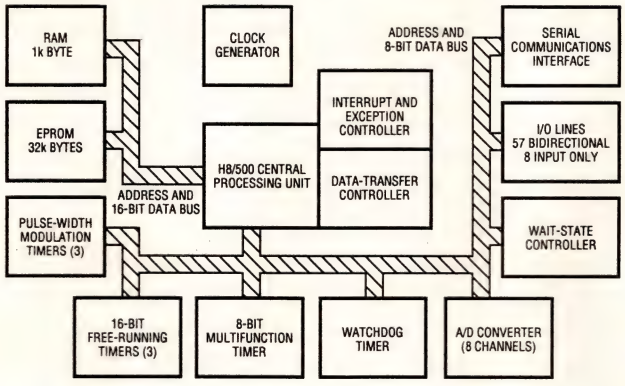

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
43 arithmetic, logic, shift, and bit manipulation instructions. Includes 16-bit multiply and divide.
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
7 data transfer instructions with high orthogonality. You can independently specify addressing modes and data sizes in each instruction. Seven addressing modes: register direct, indirect, indirect with displacement, indirect with pre-decrement or post-increment; absolute, immediate, and program-counter relative. Five data types: bit, BCD, byte, word, and long word.
III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
11 branch instructions with 16 different conditions. Loop counter/condition code register termination.
IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
7 control registers including 16-bit program counter and status register; 8-bit condition code register, as well as four 8-bit page registers used in maximum mode only.
V—POWER-SAVING INSTRUCTIONS
3 Power-saving modes: sleep instruction halts CPU; sleep with software standby bit in control register set halts CPU and clock—a nonmaskable interrupt or hardware reset resumes execution; if standby pin is held low, processor enters hardware standby mode—a hardware reset resumes execution.

Specification summary: The H8/532 is an integrated 8-bit μC. Among the onboard peripherals are 32k bits of ROM or EPROM, 1k byte of RAM, 8 timers, 1 UART channel, 8 channels of 10-bit A/D conversion, 1 data transfer controller, 9 I/O ports, and glue logic that includes a clock generator and wait-state controller.

Hardware notes:
1. The H8/532 contains 32k bits of ROM and 1k bits of RAM. The chip offers a UART; three 16-bit free-run timers; an 8-bit timer; an 8-bit watchdog timer; an 8-channel, 10-bit ADC; and 3 external and 19 internal interrupts with 8 priority levels.
2. The H8/520 contains 16k bits of ROM and 512 bits of RAM. This chip features 2 UARTs. In addition to its two 16-bit free-run timers, the /520 offers both an 8-bit timer and a watchdog timer. This μC provides an ADC and interrupt structure like its sibling.

Software note:
Commonly used instructions have a short form: 1 byte shorter and executing 1 cycle faster than the corresponding long form.

HARDWARE — SUPPORT — SOFTWARE

Hitachi supplies a common base unit and personality modules for in-circuit emulation of all H-series devices (about $10,000). Evaluation boards (about $400) with in-line assembler and limited debug monitor are also available.
Hewlett-Packard (Palo Alto, CA) and Sophia Systems (Palo Alto, CA) also offer development systems.

Hitachi supplies a complete development software chain including assembler, linker, loader, simulator, and C compiler for VAX and IBM PC hosts. Third-party vendors Microtec Research (Santa Clara, CA), Avocet (Rockport, ME), and Software Environments (Dallas, TX) also supply similar products.

78K SERIES

8/16-BIT CMOS

AVAILABILITY: Now.
COST: $5 - $10 (100,000).
SECOND SOURCE: None.

Description: The 78K Series is a family of 8/16-bit microcomputers with features for real-time applications. These μCs improve peripheral response and system speed while embedding intelligence in the peripherals and marrying the processor and peripherals through an interdevice data transfer facility.

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Status: The K series of microcomputers is currently used in applications such as hard-disk drive control, audio, communication, and environmental control.

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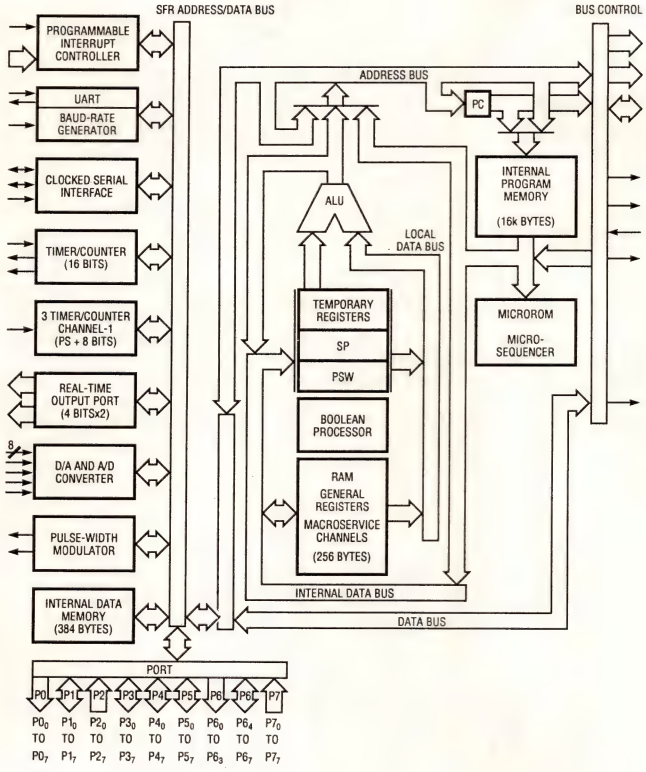

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
Add, subtract, multiply, divide, logicals, compare.
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
Register-to-register moves. Load and store to external memory and I/O. Load and store multiple registers to and from external memory and I/O.
III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Jump, call subroutine, and returns. Branches with decisions based on Boolean data in general-purpose registers rather than ALU condition codes.
IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
Status register has usual bits to indicate ALU condition.
V—SYSTEM-LEVEL INSTRUCTIONS
Accumulator-oriented set, multiple register banks, condition flags.

Specification summary: The intelligence of the peripheral management unit lets the chip handle many interrupt events without processor intervention. Instruction cycle times can be as long as 125 nsec at 32 MHz.

Hardware note:
Diagram favors μPD7823x, which features synchronous and asynchronous serial I/O, counter/timers with compare and capture registers, multichannel ADCs, DACs, and a peripheral management unit.

HARDWARE — SUPPORT — SOFTWARE

NEC Electronics provides an evaluation board with 32k bytes of RAM and ROM, an optional extended memory socket, and an RS-232C port. The Design kit includes a miniature-in-circuit emulator board and probe with 32k bytes of SRAM, a communications port, and an on-board monitor. The emulation kit includes ICE and probe.

In addition to support software for the development hardware, NEC provides a relocatable assembler, a structured assembler, and a C compiler.

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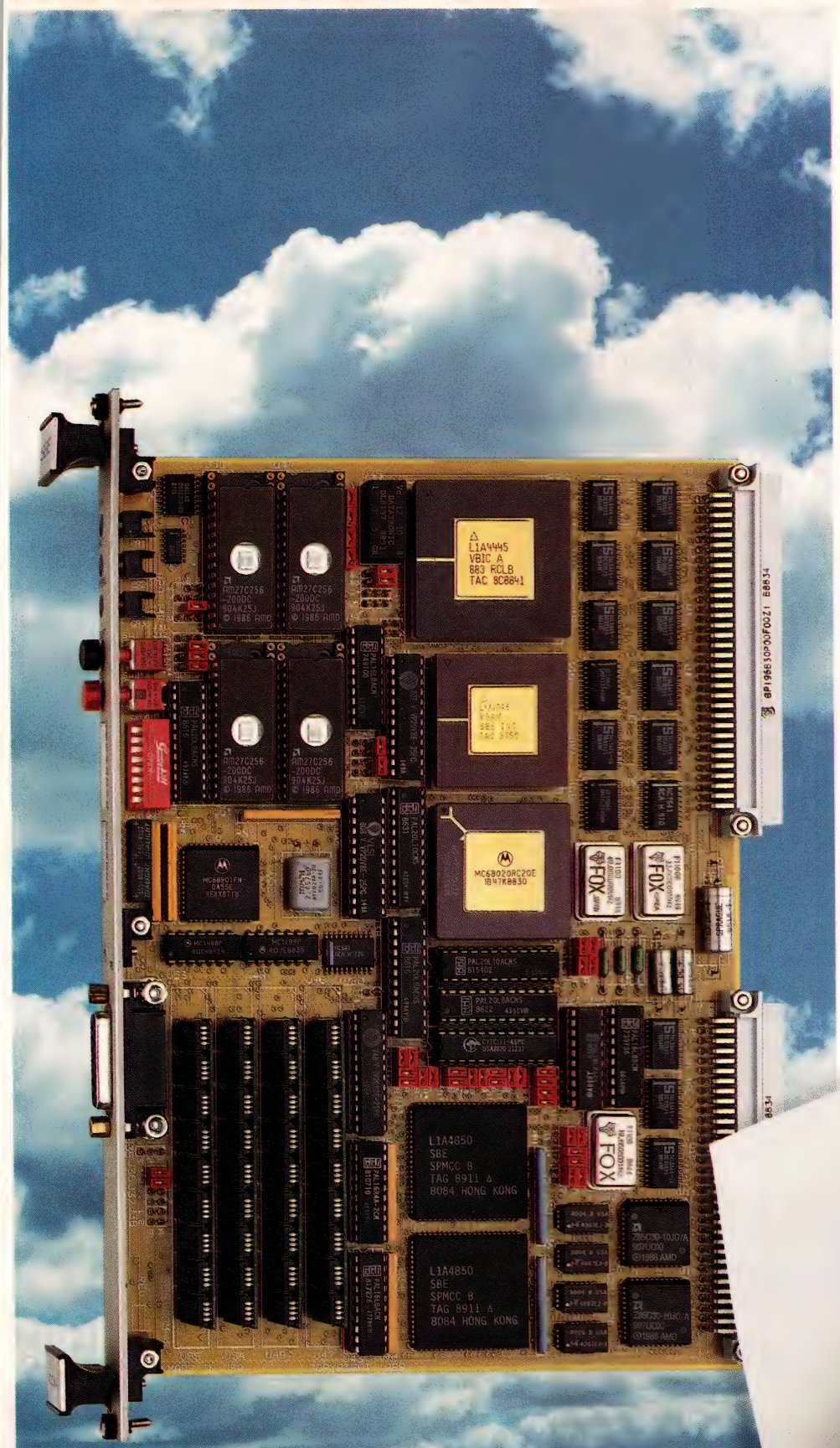

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COST: Prices range from about $4 to $32.
SECOND SOURCE: VLSI and California Micro Devices said to be main sources, but WDC says it has licensed others in US and abroad.
CORE: All suppliers are considering this as a μP megacell in their libraries.

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Description: CMOS 8/16-bit μPs featuring software compatibility with 8-bit 6502 (both original NMOS 6502 and enhanced CMOS 65C02). The -802 is pin-for-pin compatible with the 6502, so it can be plugged into existing sockets. The -816 has a different pinout, but expands the addressing range of the 6502 from 64k to 16M bytes. Additional hardware enhancements on the -816 allow it to be used for multiprocessor systems and in systems that have data and program caches.

Status: Apple's use of the 65C816 in the IIGS upgrade provides a firm basis for hardware and software availability. Software support is growing as third-party houses that have supported the 6502-based Apple computers convert software to take advantage of the expanded memory and other capabilities of the 65C816.

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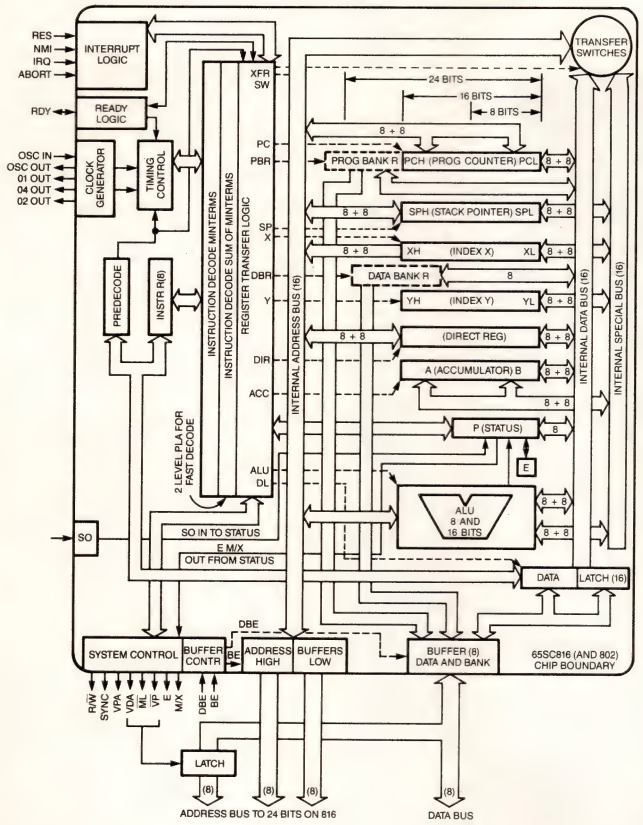

Hardware notes:
1. Compare diagram with previous 650X family (see diagram pg 127) to see nature of architectural enhancements. The 8-bit registers have been widened to 16 bits, and the 16-bit registers widened to 24 bits.
2. The -816's control-bus outputs facilitate multiprocessing, caching, and virtual memory. The control-bus inputs let you abort instructions for virtual memory as well as control-bus access.

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
The 6502/65C02 instructions with 16-bit versions of add, subtract, BCD, and logicals. No multiply, but 65C832 version will have provisions for floating point on chip.
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
6502/65C02 instructions, but with choice of 8- or 16-bit indexing and 8-or 16-bit data widths.
On the -816, addressing can span 16M bytes with aid of paging through new register extensions. New block-move (forward or backward) instructions. Increased stack-pointer addressing modes, including stack relative, indirect, and indexed.
III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Wait for interrupt and stop clock (restart via interrupt). Abort instruction on -816 via pin input acts as interrupt and directs program to perform memory repair and retry.
IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
Additional bits in status register allow software selection of 8- or 16-bit modes for indexing and data. Also, E bit associated with status register (but not handled as part of it) provides software choice of emulation or native mode.

Specification summary: Enhanced 6502 with 16-bit internal data option and 24-bit addressing option, software selectable. Data I/O off chip remains 8 bits, however. The -802 version is hardware compatible with 6502 (or 65SC02) and can be plug-in replacement. It will reset into 6502 emulation mode, but can be software-switched into varying degrees of 16-bit operation. The -816 is almost identical internally to the -802, but it has different pinouts because it brings the additional bits for 24-bit address space out of the multiplexed 8-bit data-bus. The -816 also has special control lines to facilitate virtual memory, coprocessors, and data and program caching. Performance is mostly identical to 6502 of same clock speed, except that extended addressing and data modes take additional cycles. Clock to 12 MHz. Fabricated in 1.2-μm CMOS and features 3-mA/MHz power consumption, 1 μA in standby mode. Although it supplies the μPs in DIPs and PLCCs, WDC recommends using the 44-pin PLCC for higher performance and reliability.

Software notes:
1. Upon reset, -802 and -816 are in 6502 emulation mode. To go to native (enhanced) mode, the E-bit must be reset to 0 via an exchange with previously reset carry-bit in status register.
2. Full-sized 16-bit registers may facilitate high-level-language compiler-writing as compared with 6502. The 16-bit index registers and the 16-bit stack pointer with no page-1 confinement help facilitate compiler writing. Further, the more sophisticated stack-pointer addressing modes directly serve needs of compiler writers.
3. Tendency of native (enhanced) mode coding to become trickier than 6502 due to tightly packed architecture (all 256 op codes used) and opportunity to flip back and forth dynamically between modes and between register and data widths.

HARDWARE — SUPPORT — SOFTWARE

WDC recommends Hewlett-Packard (Colorado Springs, CO) logic analyzers to debug applications. HP offers several inverse assemblers for its logic analyzers. Microtek (Los Angeles, CA) and Macro Chip Research (Carrollton, TX) offer In-Circuit Emulators.

From Byte Works (Albuquerque, NM): The ORCA/M cross-assembly and utility package. C and Pascal compliers are also available.
From Apple (Cupertino, CA): Assembler and debugger ($100) and C compiler.
From others: Supporting products are also available from S-C Software (Dallas, TX); Roger-Wagner Publishing (El Cajon, CA); and 2500 AD (Aurora, CO).

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AVAILABILITY: Now for 8-MHz 80186/188. Now for 10-, 12.5-, and 16-MHz 80C186/80C188. AMD will have 20-MHz part in fourth quarter 1990.
COST: Less than $10 (100) for 80186/188 in PLCC. Less than $18 for 10-MHz 80C186/C188 in PLCC.
SECOND SOURCE: AMD and Siemens.
CORE: Intel's ASIC group has incorporated the 80C186 in its cell library.

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Description: The 80186, 80188, 80C186, and 80C188 are high-performance, highly integrated μPs. The 80186 family is completely upward compatible with 8086 object-code and contain 10 additional instructions. These embedded μPs integrate many common system components onto a single chip. The onboard peripherals include a clock generator, 2 independent DMA channels, a programmable interrupt controller, 3 programmable 16-bit timers, programmable memory, peripheral chip-select logic, and a programmable wait-state generator. Further enhancements to 80C186/C188 products include a fully static CMOS design, power-save mode, a DRAM-refresh control unit, a direct numerics interface, and a compatible mode.

Status: The 80C186 family of products is used in more than 3500 different customer applications.

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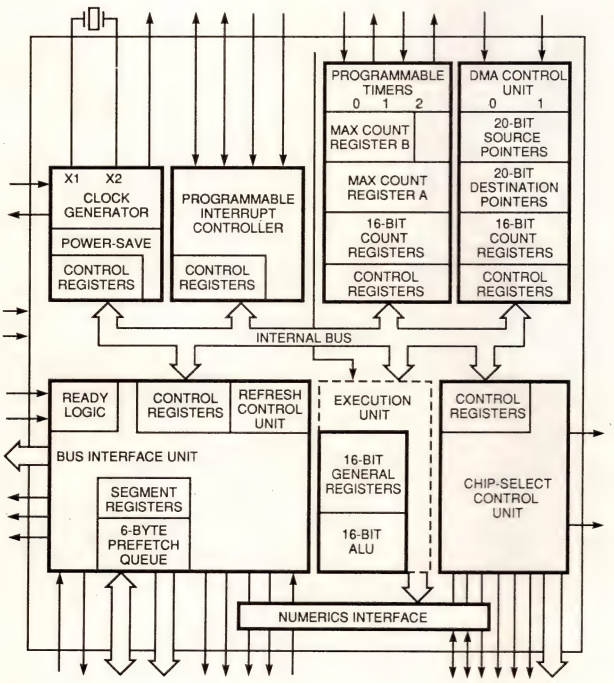

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
Includes addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division. Arithmetic operations may be performed on 4 types of numbers: unsigned binary, signed binary (integers), unsigned packed decimal, and unsigned unpacked decimal. Binary numbers may be 8 or 16 bits long. Decimal numbers are stored in bytes: 2 digits per byte for packed decimal, and 1 digit per byte for unpacked decimal.

II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
Data-transfer instructions move single bytes, words, and double words between memory and registers, as well as between register AL or AX and I/O ports. Stack manipulation instructions are also included, as are instructions for transferring flag contents and for loading segment registers. Subgroups of the data transfer instructions are general-purpose data, I/O, address-object, and flag-transfer instructions.

III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Includes unconditional transfers, conditional transfers, iteration controls, and interrupts. Unconditional transfers include call, jump, and return instructions, which may transfer control to a target instruction within the current code segment (intersegment transfer). The conditional transfer instructions are jumps that may or may not transfer control, depending on the state of the CPU flags at the time the instruction is executed. You can use the iteration control instructions to regulate the repetition of software loops. The interrupt instructions let programs, as well as external hardware devices, activate interrupt-service routines.

IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
Flag operations include carry, direction, and interrupt enable, all of which let programs control various CPU functions.

V—SYSTEM-LEVEL INSTRUCTIONS
The processor controls instructions responsible for external synchronization, which include halt, wait, escape, and lock.

Specification summary: 16-bit CPU with direct-addressing capability to 1M-byte memory and 64k-byte I/O with 6 address modes. There are 14 16-bit registers. Register-to-register operations execute at 125 nsec for the 16-MHz device. The typical current for the 80186/188 at 5V is 320 mA; for the 80C186/C188 running at 16 MHz it is 105 mA. These parts come in 68-pin PGAs, LCCs, and PLCCs.

Hardware notes:
1. Diagram is for 80C186.
2. The 80C188 is the 8-bit external-data-bus version of the 80C186. The 80C188 has all other 80C186 features except for the numerics interface.
3. The 80186 and 80188 do not have the DRAM-refresh control unit, power-save mode, or the direct numerics interface.
4. The 8087 math coprocessor supports the 80186/188; the 80C187 supports the 80C186.

HARDWARE — SUPPORT — SOFTWARE

From Intel: I²ICE186 in-circuit emulator ($10,618) supports 80186 to 10 MHz. ICE186 in-circuit emulator ($15,995) supports 80186/80C186 to 16 MHz. I²ICE188 ($8495) and ICE 188 ($9995) support 8-bit bus versions of the 80186 (80188/80C188). An evaluation board is also available ($400).
From others: The family is widely supported by third-party universal development systems.

From Intel: Macroassembler, including linker, locator, mapper, and librarian. High-level-language compilers include PL/M, C, Fortran, and Pascal. iPAT performance analysis tool enables the analysis of real-time software execution in prototype systems. Analysis is performed symbolically, non-intrusively, and in real time with 100% sampling in the μP prototype environment.
From others: Because of a wide range of 8086- and 8088-based systems, in particular the IBM PC, there is third-party software of all sorts, enough to fill catalogs. Check with Intel and various trade journals.

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DESIGN NOTES

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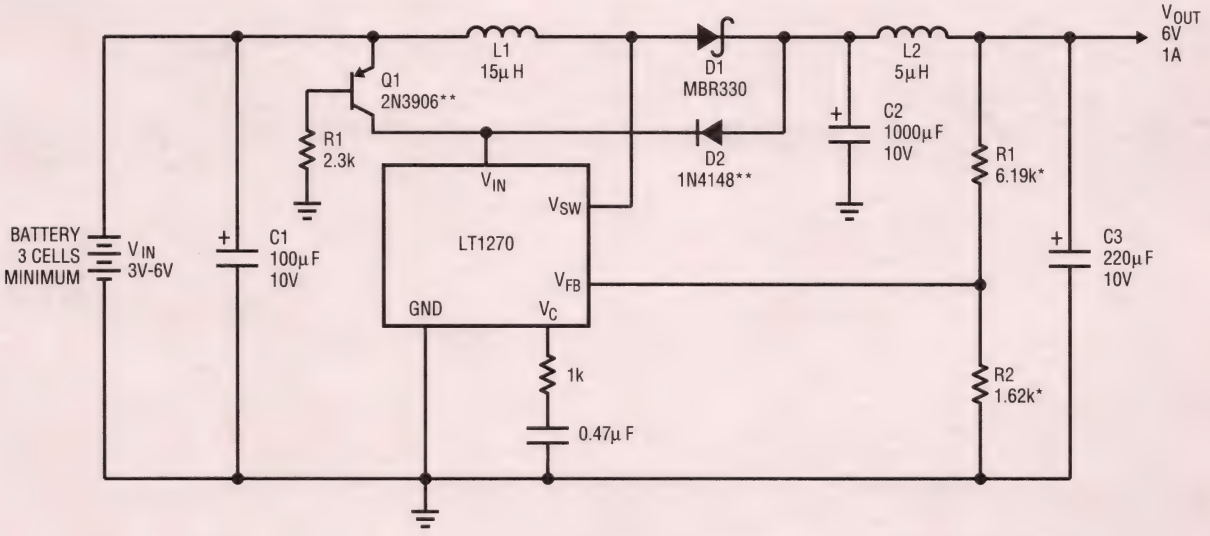
Switching Regulator Allows Alkalines to Replace NiCads

Brian Huffman

In many applications it is desirable to substitute non-rechargeable batteries for chargeable types. This capability is necessary when the NiCads can't be recharged or long charge times are unacceptable. Alkaline batteries are an excellent choice in this situation. They are readily available and have reasonable energy density. Compared to Alkalines, NiCads provide a more stable terminal voltage as they discharge. NiCads decay from 1.3V to 1.0V, while Alkalines drop from 1.5V to 0.8V. Replacing NiCads with Alkalines can cause unacceptable low supply voltage, although available energy is adequate. A boost type switching regulator obviates this problem, allowing Alkaline cells to replace NiCads. The circuit shown in Figure 1 accommodates the Alkaline cells widely varying terminal voltage while providing a constant output voltage.

This circuit is a step-up boost type switching regulator. It maintains a constant 6V output as battery voltage falls. The inductor accumulates energy from the battery when the LT1270 switch pin (V_{SW}) switches to ground and dumps its stored energy to the output when the switch pin (V_{SW}) goes off. The feedback pin (V_{FB}) samples the output from the 6.19k-1.62k divider. The LT1270's error amplifier compares the feedback pin voltage to its internal 1.24V reference and controls the V_{SW} pin switching current, completing a control loop. The output voltage can be varied by changing the resistor divider ratio. The RC damper on the V_C pin provides loop frequency compensation. The minimum start up voltage for this circuit is 3V. If a 3.3V start up voltage is permissible R1 and Q1 can be removed with D2 replaced by a short.



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C3 = NICHICON – UPL1A221MRH
L1 = COILTRONICS – CTX15-8-52
L2 = COILTRONICS – CTX5-1-FR

$$V_{OUT} = 1.24V\left(1 + \frac{R1}{R2}\right)$$

Figure 1. Low Voltage Circuit Provides Constant Output Voltage as Battery Discharges

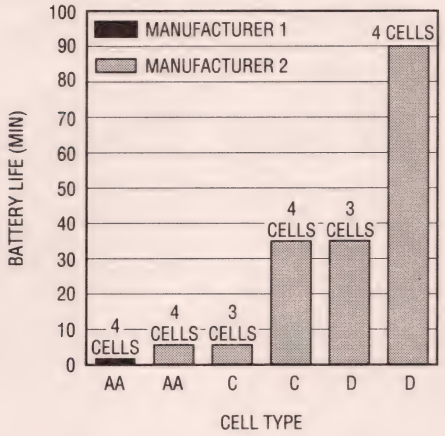

Figure 2. Battery Life Characteristics for Different Batteries for a 6W Load

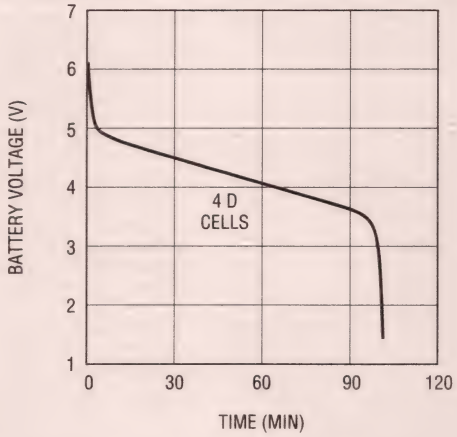

Figure 3. Alkaline Battery Discharge Characteristic with 6W Load

Bootstrapping the V_{IN} pin off the output voltage allows the battery voltage to drop below the minimum start up voltage, while maintaining circuit operation. For example, with three C cells the battery voltage is initially 4.5V and operates down to 2.4V. With this bootstrapped technique the circuit provides a constant output voltage over the battery's complete operating range, maximizing battery life.

Battery life characteristics are different for various cell types. Figure 2 compares battery life between AA, C, and D cells with a 6W load. In this application the power drain from the battery remains relatively constant. As the battery voltage decreases the battery current increases. The AA types discharge quicker than the C or D cells. They are physically smaller than the other cells, and therefore store less energy. The AA cells are 3 times smaller than the C cells and 6 times smaller than the D cells.

Current drain also influences cell life. Battery life significantly decreases at high current discharge. Slightly higher battery stack voltages permit surprising battery life increases. The higher voltage means lower current drain for a constant power load. Operating at just 33% less current the four C cells last 5 times longer than three C cells.

Battery life characteristics vary widely between manufacturers. Some manufacturers' cells are optimized to operate more efficiently at lower current levels, making it wise to consult the battery manufacturer's discharge characteristics.

Figure 3 shows Alkaline battery discharge characteristics for four D cells. A fresh cell measures 1.5V and operates down to 0.8V before the cell dies. The battery stack voltage drops quickly and then stabilizes until it reaches 3.2V; 0.8V per cell. There is no usable battery life beyond this point.

Figure 4 shows efficiency exceeding 85%. The diode and LT1270 switch are the two main loss elements. The Schottky diode introduces a relatively constant 7% loss, while the LT1270 switch loss varies with battery voltage. As battery voltage decreases, switch current and duty cycle increase. This has a dramatic effect on switch loss, because switch loss is proportional to the square of switch current multiplied by duty cycle. Therefore, at low input voltages efficiency is degraded because this loss is a higher percentage of the battery power drain.

If lower output current is desired, an LT1170, LT1171, or LT1172 can be used.

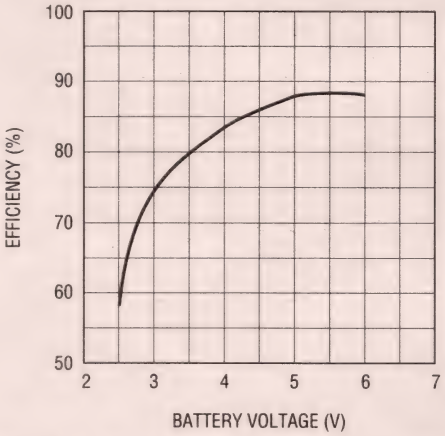

Figure 4. Efficiency for Various Battery Voltages

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Description: The 80286 is upward compatible with the 8086 and 80188 and includes on-chip memory management and hardware support for multiuser, multitasking systems. A 4-level protection model provides task/task and user/operating-system protection. The 8-MHz 80286 is 6 times faster than the 5-MHz 8086 due to its pipelined architecture, 8M-byte/sec bus and 3.5-nsec interrupt time. Used in the IBM PC/AT and its clones.

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Status: Intel has de-emphasized the 80286 in favor of its 32-bit siblings, the 80386SX, 80386, and 80486. However, in spite of very low growth, the 80286 still has the highest volume in the 8086 family. Its popularity has been based on the IBM PC/AT. Since Intel has shown no inclination to let vendors second source the 80386, the 80286 should have a long life. Therefore, expect more enhanced 80286s, such as the 16- and 20-MHz versions from AMD and the CMOS version from Harris. Unfortunately for the second sources, the 80286's big sisters, the 80386SX, 80386, and 80486, are taking over many of its applications.

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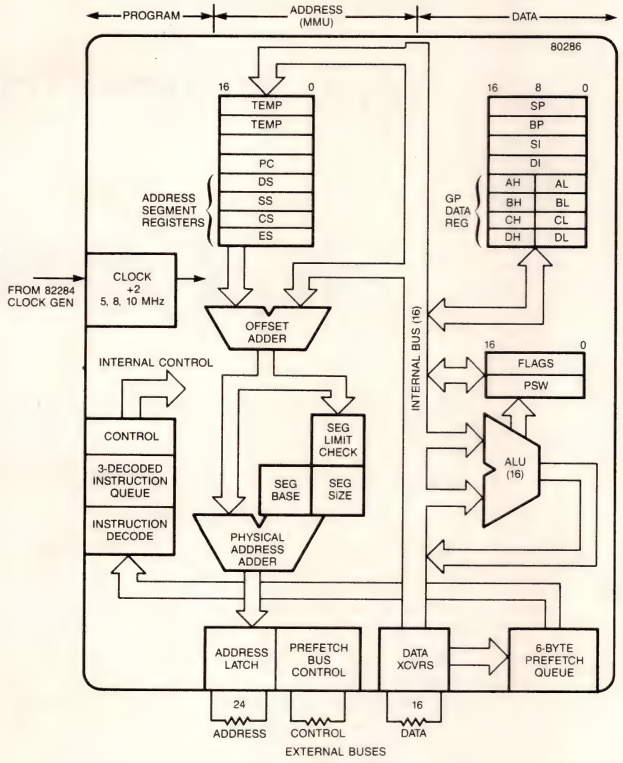

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
8- and 16-bit signed and unsigned arithmetic in binary or decimal, including multiply and divide.
Logical operations on bytes, words, and blocks.
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
Addressing modes include literal, relative (to register and to segment), register, base plus index, base relative indexed, and register indirect.
Programmers can manipulate 16,383 segments in memory by means of memory-base descriptor tables and 4-segment registers. These segments can be between 1k and 64k bytes in length.
III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Has calls, jumps, and returns within the same protection level, across protection boundaries, and between tasks.
Intrasegment calls and jumps use self-relative displacement for position-independent code.
Intersegment calls and jumps use the memory-based descriptor tables to provide position independence of code.
Conditional jumps upon Boolean functions of flags within ±128 bytes of instruction.
Iteration control of loops.
String instructions, including repeat, for rapid iteration.
IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
8085 flags (carry, auxiliary carry, parity, zero, and sign) plus overflow, interrupt enable, direction (strings), trap (single-step), I/O privilege level, and nested task. Flag register is software accessible.

Specification summary: 16-bit CPU with 1G-byte virtual-address space per user, mapped onto 16M-byte physical-address space. Bus cycles execute in 250 nsec at 8-MHz clock frequency (200 nsec at 10 MHz), requiring 0.25 μsec for register-to-register moves at 8-MHz clock frequency, with 8M-byte/sec bus bandwidth. HMOS ion-implanted, silicon-gate circuitry in a large chip (335 × 339 mils, approximately 134,000 transistors). Requires 5V at 600 mA. Has 2 operating modes: Real-address mode emulates 8086; protected virtual-address mode native to 80286. Housed in a 68-pin Jedec type-A LCC, PLCC, and PGA.

Hardware notes:
1. Support chips for 80286: 82C284 clock, 82288 bus controller, 80287 floating-point numeric processor ($187.15 (1000) for 10-MHz version), and 82258 advanced DMA coprocessor.
2. High-integration chip sets for the IBM PC/AT are being offered by Chips and Technologies (San Jose, CA), Zymos (Sunnyvale, CA), VLSI Technology (Phoenix, AZ), Hudson & Supinger (Santa Clara, CA), Capital Equipment Corp (Burlington, MA), and Via Technologies Inc (Sunnyvale, CA), as well as by Intel. These chips consolidate devices used around compute engines for the 80286.

Software notes:
1. Has high-level-language support instructions.
2. Virtual-address translation, memory management, and protection performed by CPU for faster execution.
3. Trusted instructions can only be executed at highest protection levels.

HARDWARE — SUPPORT — SOFTWARE

From Intel: I²ICE-286 in-circuit emulator ($12,494) supports 80286 at 8 and 10 MHz. It is hosted on IBM PC/AT and PC/XT. ICE286 ($12,495) supports 80286 at 12.5 MHz. iPAT performance analysis tool includes a hardware base unit, an interface to the in-circuit emulator, and host software for the PC/AT and PC/XT. iPAT provides high-level access to target-system performance analysis and test-case code-coverage analysis for the 80286 in real and protected mode.
From others: A number of third-parties support the 80286 on their universal development systems.

From Intel: Macroassembler (ASM 286), which includes systems builder, binder, mapper, and librarian. Compilers for C, Pascal, PL/M, and Fortran. For applications running in virtual 8086 mode, any of Intel's 8086 software tools can be used. Hosts include PC-DOS and VAX/VMS. $750 for DOS version. Real-time operating systems (Intel's iRMX 286) available.
From others: Other operating systems and compilers being developed by third-party software houses include MP/M-286 (Digital Research), Xenix-286 (Microsoft), Coherent 286 (Mark Williams), Concurrent DOS (Digital Research), Unix System V (Digital Research), and OS/2 by Microsoft (Redmond, WA).

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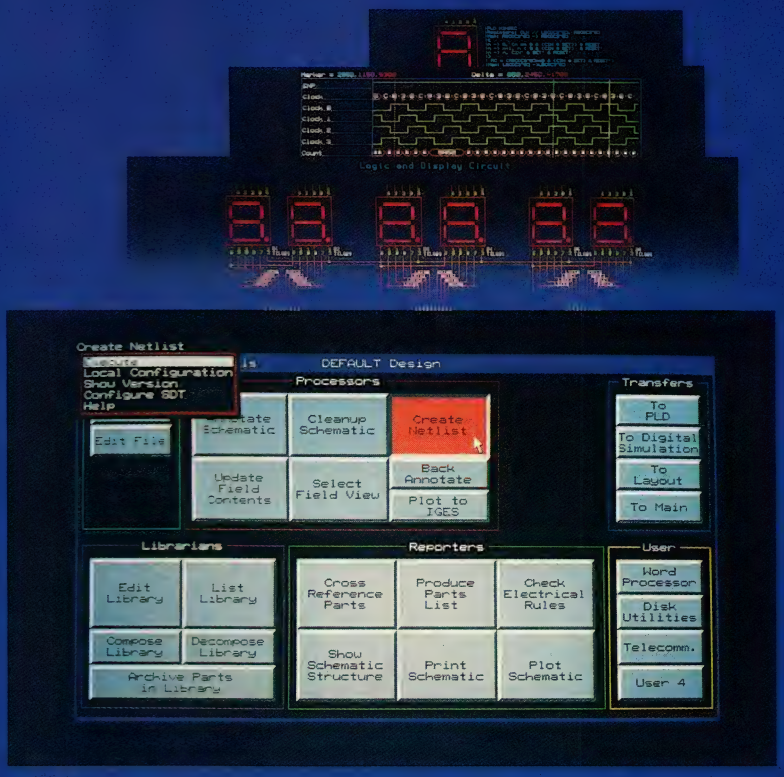

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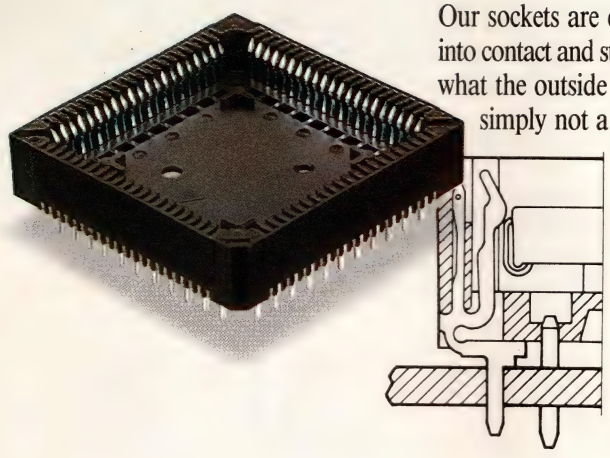

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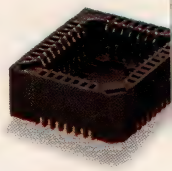

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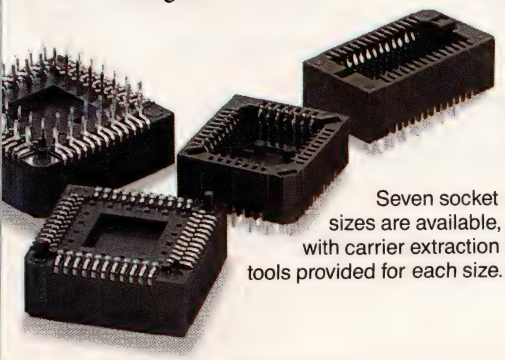

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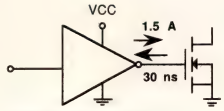

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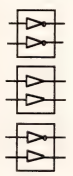

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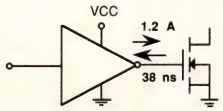

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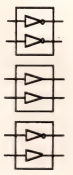

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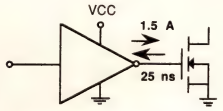

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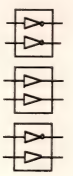

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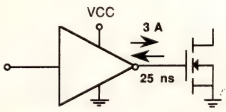

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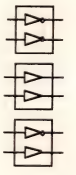

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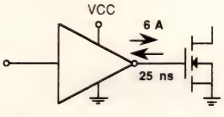

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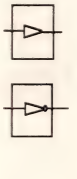

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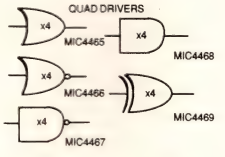

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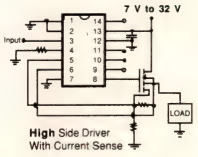
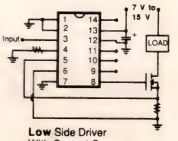
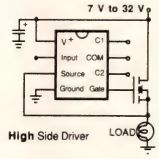


MIC5010

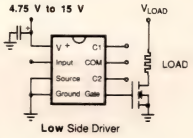
- Full Featured predriver
- Optional speed up caps
- 7 V to 32 V supply
- Internal charge pump
- 60 µS into 1 nF
- Over current sensing
- Fault flag output
- Surface mount packages
- Dynamic sensing threshold

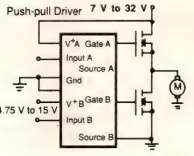




MIC5011

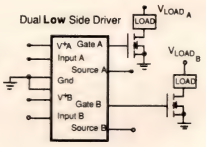
- Minimum parts count
- Optional speed up caps
- 4.75 V to 32 V supply
- Internal charge pump
- 60 µS into 1 nF
- Surface mount packages

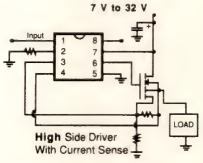




MIC5012

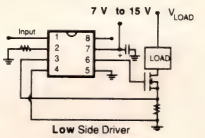
- Dual predriver
- Provides high and low side
- 4.75 V to 32 V supply
- Internal charge pump
- 60 µS into 1 nF
- Surface mount packages





MIC5013

- Over current sensing
- 7 V to 32 V supply
- Fault flag output
- Internal charge pump
- 60 µS into 1 nF
- Surface mount packages
- Dynamic sensing threshold



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MCS-96 FAMILY

16-BIT NMOS AND CMOS

AVAILABILITY: Now for 8096BH, 8097BH, 8097JF, and 8098.
COST: $5-$20.
SECOND SOURCE: None.

Description: Highly integrated 16-bit microcontroller combining 16-bit CPU with extensive I/O handling. On-chip memory includes as much as 8k bytes of ROM/EPROM/OTP and 232 bytes of register-file. Also includes as much as 256 bytes of on-chip code RAM. I/O capabilities include an 8-channel, 10-bit ADC, full-duplex UART, 8-level priority interrupt, pulse-width-modulated output, high-speed I/O subsystem, four 16-bit software timers, as many as five 8-bit I/O ports, and 1 watchdog timer.

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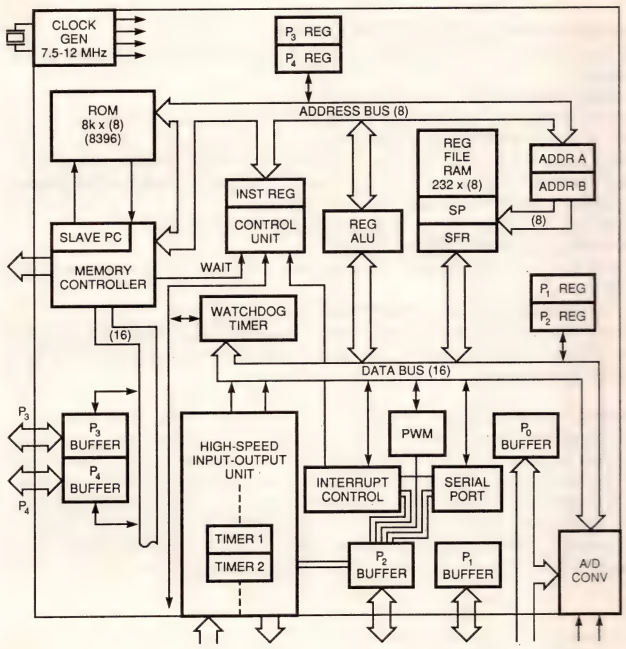
Status: This earliest of the 16-bit μCs continues to maintain a large share of the 16-bit market. Intel has expanded the MCS-96 family to suit various segments of the market.

HARDWARE — CHARACTERISTICS — SOFTWARE



I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
8- and 16-bit signed and unsigned arithmetic in binary, including multiply and divide.
Logicals.
Bit, byte, word, and double-word operations.
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
Addressing modes include direct, immediate, indexed, indirect, and indirect with autoincrement.
Load and store, push and pop.
III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Has calls, jumps, and returns.
Conditional jumps upon Boolean functions of flags within ±128 bytes of instruction.
Iteration control of loops.
IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
Zero, sign, overflow, carry, overflow trap, interrupt enable, and sticky bit (records previous value of carry during right shifts).
Can set and clear some bits.

Specification summary: 16-bit μC with split-memory architecture; 8k-byte ROM and 232 bytes of register-file RAM on chip. External memory expandable to 64k bytes, with data-bus dynamically programmable as 8 or 16 bits. Register-to-register architecture with ALU operating directly on register file. Has 8-channel, 10-bit A/D converter; four 16-bit software timers; PWM output; five 8-bit I/O ports; full-duplex serial port; and high-speed pulse I/O ports. 16×16-bit multiply as fast as 1.75 μsec and 32/16-bit divide as fast as 3 μsec. In 48-pin DIP, 68-pin PLCC, or 68-pin PGA.

Hardware notes:
1. The NMOS MCS-96 family consists of parts available with A/D converter, 8- or 16- bit external bus. On-chip memory alternatives include ROM, EPROM, and one-time programmable versions. Packaging options include 68-pin PLCCs, 64-pin shrink DIPs, 48-pin DIPs, and 68-pin PGAs.
2. I/O subsystem has 4 high-speed capture inputs and 6 high-speed pulse outputs. Storage in 8-deep FIFO (inputs) and content addressable memory (outputs).
3. 16-bit watchdog timer allows recovery from hardware or software error.

HARDWARE — SUPPORT — SOFTWARE

Programming support for EPROM versions supplied through Intel's line of universal PROM programmers as well as third-party programs from companies such as Data I/O, Stag, and Elan.
From Intel: Macroassembler (ASM-96), PL/M-96, and C-96 compilers. PL/M and C compilers supply hardware-control features such as interrupts. Each software package includes relocation/linkage utility (RL-96); library management utility (LIB-96); object-to-hex conversion utility (OH-96); and FPAL-96, a 32-bit floating-point utility. Software packages run on IBM PCs and compatible computers. $750 for a single-user license.

From Archimedes (San Francisco, CA): ANSI C-8096 compiler with additional features, such as control of interrupt. Hosted on IBM PC ($995), MicroVAX ($3995), and VAX ($5995).
From Cybernetic Micro Systems (San Gregorio, CA): Graphics programming and simulation aids, which run on IBM PCs ($295 and $995, respectively).

HPC16000 FAMILY

16-BIT CMOS

AVAILABILITY: Now for 20- and 30-MHz parts.
COST: $5 to $25 in volume.
SECOND SOURCE: None.
CORE: The HPC family is core based. National says the family of standard parts is continuously growing.

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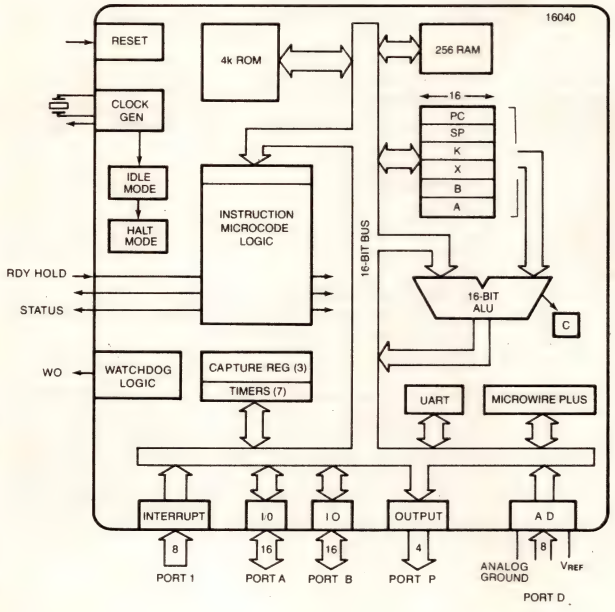
Description: 16-bit CMOS μC family with basic version having onboard ROM, RAM, extensive I/O, and peripherals. Original HPC had 16.8-MHz clock. Due to shrinking, new HPC16083 is offered in both 20-MHz and 30-MHz versions. The 30-MHz part's shortest instructions are just 134 nsec over −55 to +125°C.

Status: HPC is a family of industrial controllers. Supplier's benchmarks (August '86 with HPC at 17 MHz) indicate that HPCs out perform other similar 8- and 16-bit controllers, such as Intel 8096, Motorola 68HC11, and TI370 on both throughput and ROM-program efficiency. NEC 78XXX and Zilog Super Z8 weren't mentioned. Dataquest numbers show the HPC as the largest selling 16-bit CMOS μC.

HARDWARE — CHARACTERISTICS — SOFTWARE



I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
8- and 16-bit arithmetic in binary, including multiply and divide with 32-bit results.
Logical AND, OR, XOR, and compares.
Bit manipulation of all registers and through all 64k address space.
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
10 addressing modes: register B indirect, register X indirect, direct, indirect, indexed, immediate, register indirect with autoincrement/decrement, register indirect with autoincrement, and skip.
Instructions include load, store, push, pop, and exchange.
III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Calls, jumps, returns, and conditional jumps implementing high-level-type constructs.
IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
There is a carry-bit and several status registers. They may be manipulated as all bits in register space, and in 64k address space, they may be set, reset, and tested.

Specification summary: 16-bit CMOS μC and μP with memory-mapped architecture. External expandable memory. 16-bit-wide architecture includes data bus, ALU, and registers. Has 8 programmable 16-bit timers, 8 vectored interrupts, full-duplex UART with programmable baud rate, PWM outputs, 10 timer-synchronous outputs, 4 input-capture registers, 52 general-purpose I/O lines. Supply range is 4 to 5.5V. Available in industrial (−40 to +85°C) and extended (−55 to +125°C) temperature ranges (MIL-STD-883 now). In 68-pin plastic package.

Commercial version (0 to 70°C)	Industrial version (−40 to +85°C)	ROM EPROM (bytes)	RAM (bytes)	I/O pins	Timer base counters	Other
HPC46003	HPC36003	ROMless	256	52	8	4 input capture registers
HPC46004	HPC36004	ROMless	512	52	8	4 input capture registers
HPC46064	HPC36064	16.0k	512	52	8	4 input capture registers
HPC46083	HPC36083	8.0k	256	52	8	4 input capture registers
HPC46104*	HPC36104	ROMless	512	52	8	4 input capture registers and 8-channel ADC
HPC46164*	HPC36164	16.0k	512	52	8	4 input capture registers and 8-channel ADC
HPC46400	HPC36400	N/A	256	56	4	HDLC & DMA
HPC46400	HPC36400E	N/A	256	56	4	HDLC & DMA
HPC467164*	HPC367164	16.0k	512	52	8	EPROM & one-time-programmable device
HPC46083MH		8.0k	256	52	8	EPROM

*Available in 1991
All devices have 8 interrupts, implement their stacks in RAM, have at least 1 serial I/O port, and come in 68-pin packages
MIL versions available

Hardware notes:
1. Family is designed around common μP core for instruction-set consistency, with different models having various assortments of on-chip peripheral functions. Onboard peripheral functions planned are ADCs, gate arrays for customization, dual-port RAMs for efficient interprocessor communication (download/uploading), and EEPROMs.
2. Microwire/Plus is used for synchronous serial data communications with supplier's Microwire peripherals (ADCs, display drivers, EEPROM), COPS 4-bit μCs, 8050 8-bit μCs, and other HPCs for multiprocessing.
3. Watchdog logic monitors operations and signals upon the occurrence of any illegal activity, such as infinite loops.
4. Halt and idle modes provide additional power savings by stopping clock or disconnecting it.
5. Emulator parts are available for the HPC family.
6. HPC16083 and HPC16003 are MIL-883 and DESC-qualified.

HARDWARE — SUPPORT — SOFTWARE

A designer's kit is available for less than $500. Supplier's HPC development system costs approximately $7000 for the HPC family. A high-end development system will be available from Hewlett-Packard as part of the HPC64700 in 1990. Both development systems can be used in conjunction with various hosts like IBM PC/ATs or HP9000 Series 300s.
Dial-A-Helper is a 24-hr, on-line computer bulletin board serviced by National. It provides the latest information on all National μC chips (including development systems) and also specific application support. Call (408) 739-5582 for more information.

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80C166

16-BIT CMOS

AVAILABILITY: Now.
COST: $25 (10,000)
SECOND SOURCE: SGS-Thomson.

Description: The 80C166/83C166 is a 16-bit microcontroller for real-time applications. It uses a pipelined architecture and performs 8-, 16-, and 32-bit arithmetic and bit, byte, and word manipulations. You can freely allocate, within the internal RAM, any number of register banks with as many as 16 general-purpose registers. An interrupt controller with a peripheral event controller provides fast response to external events.

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Status: Siemens claims its 16-bit modular design works well in automotive, industrial-control, and data communications applications. The 80C166 uses the vendor's experience with highly integrated derivatives of the 8051. Changing peripheral modules and on-chip RAM and ROM sizes to suit particular applications will help the family grow.

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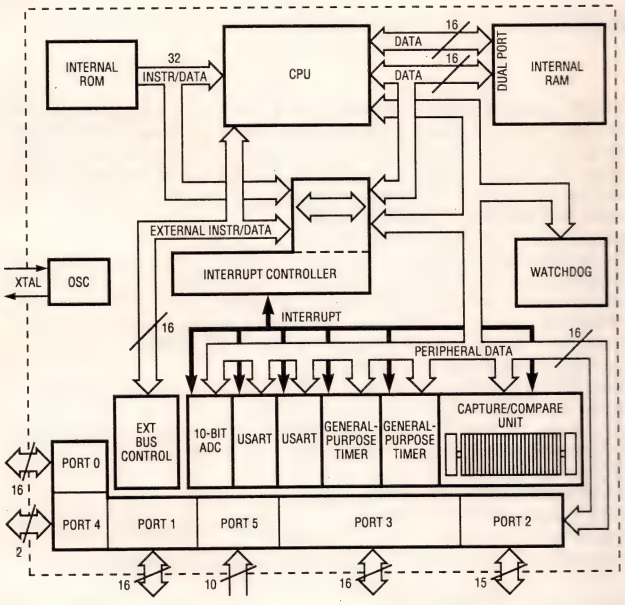

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
8-, 16-, and 32-bit signed and unsigned arithmetic instructions including fast multiply and divide. Multiple-bit shift and rotate in one machine cycle. Direct bit-to-bit manipulation in internal RAM. Various loop-control instructions.
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
Move instructions of byte or word in direct, immediate, indexed, and indirect with auto increment or decrement addressing modes. Flexible byte-to-word movements, system stack and user stack instructions.
III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Intersegment and intrasegment calls and jumps. Conditional jumps on 16 different conditions (including semaphore support). Software traps.
IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
You can change the current CPU priority to mask reactions on interrupts of lower priority. Hardware traps are issued on detected errors. A system-configuration register allows adjustment of the μP to various system requirements.

Specification summary: Single-chip microcontroller with external bus interface, as much as 32k bytes of ROM or flash EPROM, and 1k byte of RAM. Selectable 8- or 16-bit external data bus with programmable wait states or ready function. Chip uses 40-MHz crystal to run at 20 MHz. Most instructions execute in one machine cycle. Interrupt response takes 3 to 5 cycles. You can allocate 32 interrupt sources to 16 priority levels. The peripheral event controller steals cycles to implement fast, asynchronous data transmissions. The capture/compare unit consists of two 16-bit timers with 400-nsec resolution. A general-purpose timer unit contains three 16-bit up/down timer/counters with 400-nsec resolution. Another general-purpose timer unit offers two 16-bit up/down timer/counters with 200-nsec resolution. The 80C166 provides 76 I/O lines in four 16-bit bidirectional ports, one 2-bit bidirectional port, and a 10-bit input port. Two USART channels provide 625k-baud serial communication. An on-board ADC provides 10-bit resolution and 15-μsec conversion time.

Hardware notes:
1. The peripheral event controller services peripherals independent from the CPU. This controller module acts as an interrupt-driven DMA function between the CPU and peripherals.
2. The 80C166 is a task-oriented machine. The programmable interrupt priorities, a number of hardware and software traps, fast interrupt response time, and programmable register-bank allocation allow fast task switches.

HARDWARE — SUPPORT — SOFTWARE

Siemens supplies an 80C166 evaluation board with monitor and an emulator based on a bond-out chip. The board uses the IBM PC as a host.

From Siemens: A development package that includes a macro assembler, linker, locator, and library. A C compiler for ANSI standard C with additional support for 80C166-specific features. A software simulator that can simulate on-chip peripherals and an interrupt system allows debugging and software development. All software tools are IBM PC-based and are currently available.

RTX 2000

16-BIT CMOS

AVAILABILITY: The RTX 2000-8 (8 MHz), the RTX 2000-10 (10 MHz), and the RTX 2001A-8 and -10 are available now in 84-pin PGA and PLCC packages. Military grades are also available.
COST: In 100-piece quantities: The 8-MHz RTX 2000 starts at $99, the 10-MHz version starts at $129, the 8-MHz RTX 2001A starts at $49, and the 10-MHz RTX 2001A starts at $76.
SECOND SOURCE: Zoran Corp (Santa Clara, CA).
CORE: Available in the Harris's advanced standard-cell and compiler library.

Description: The RTX 2000 is a high-performance 16-bit μP with on-chip timers, a interrupt controller, a multiplier, and two 256-word stacks. The manufacturer claims that the chip offers a sustained performance greater than 10 MIPS because each instruction requires only one clock cycle for execution. The chip's architecture lets designers add hardware accelerators and I/O devices that extend the chip's basic structure. The CMOS RTX 2000 operates between dc and the maximum clock rate. Power consumption is typically 5 mA/MHz.

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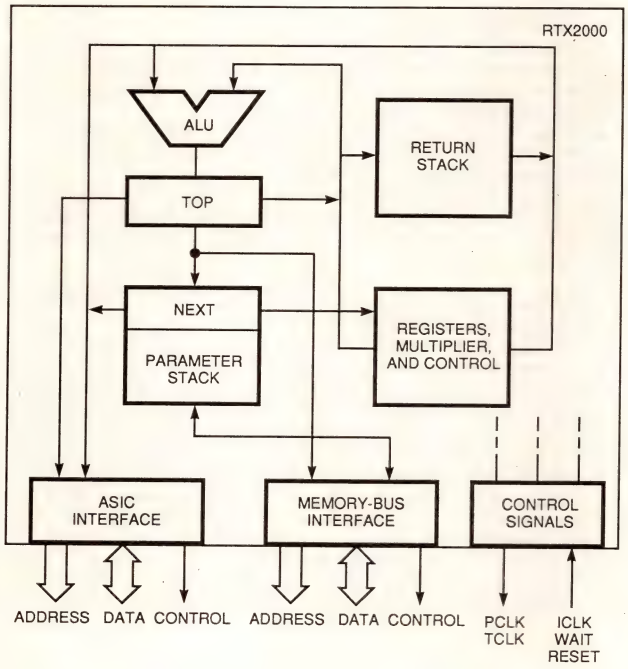
Status: Although Harris places its RTX 2000 in a RISC microcontroller category, the chip fits into the general-purpose μP category, too. The company expects that most of the chip's applications will fall into the real-time embedded-control realm. Because the chip directly executes Forth commands, Harris expects that designers will find doing real-time software development relatively easy. Harris designed the RTX 2000 using its advanced standard-cell and compiler library. Thus, designers can incorporate the device into ASICs.

HARDWARE — CHARACTERISTICS — SOFTWARE



Hardware notes:
1. Diagram shows basic RTX 2000 architecture. The 2001A is a smaller version that lacks the hardware multiplier.
2. The ASIC-bus interface lets designers extend the chip's basic architecture with peripheral and I/O devices.

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS Full set of math and logic instructions, which includes a single-cycle 16×16-bit multiplication operation as well as division and square-root operations. The architecture also allows 16- and 32-bit shifts. You can directly manipulate the top element of either the return or the parameter stack.
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
Access memory as bytes or words.
Memory-to-stack or stack-to-memory operations require two cycles.
Combine memory or I/O operations with ALU operations.
Access memory in LSB-MSB or MSB-LSB order.
"Streamed" memory access with automatic address update.
Access to 1M byte of memory space through page register.
III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Intrapage calls require one cycle; interpage calls take three cycles. Return operations require either zero or one cycle.
Single-cycle conditional or unconditional branch operations. Conditional branches depend on the top-of-stack or on the index registers.
Single-level software interrupt.
IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
Flags include interrupt enable, interrupt pending, carry, complex carry, byte order, and boot.
Automatic interrupt enable on return-from-interrupt operation.

Specification summary: 16-bit CPU with 1M-byte address space. Bus cycles execute in 100 nsec with a 10-MHz clock. All instructions execute in 1 or 2 cycles, and the memory bus is active during every cycle. Additional I/O bus for high-speed transfer operations occurring simultaneously with memory-access and processing operations. The architecture includes two 64-word stacks, both of which may be active when memory- and I/O-transfer operations take place. Harris claims a peak data-transfer rate of 80M bytes/sec. On-chip peripheral devices include three counter/timer units and a 16-bit multiplier. The 107,000 mil^2 RTX 2000 and 80,000 mil^2 RTX 2001A are housed in an 84-pin PGA or an 84-pin PLCC package.

Software notes:
1. The RTX 2000 directly executes Forth statements; consequently, no assembly language exists for this processor.
2. Harris claims that the stack architecture is flexible enough to enable the chip to efficiently run many popular computer languages. The chip contains a parameter and a return stack.

HARDWARE — SUPPORT — SOFTWARE

From Harris: The Real-Time Express Development System (10 MHz, RTXDS-10; $2995) runs from within an IBM PC or compatible. Harris also offers 8- and 10-MHz development boards (from $1495) for those who want to write their own development software.
From others: The MicroProcessor Engineering (Southampton, UK; US agency is AMICS Enterprises, Rochester, NY) Power Board is a stand-alone unit that furnishes a variety of I/O ports and 500k bytes of RAM. VME Inc (Milpitas, CA) offers VMEbus development systems and stand-alone boards based on the RTX. Silicon Composers (Palo Alto, CA) also offers a variety of systems.

From Harris: Available software includes a target/host monitor; an IBM PC-based, C-development environment with interactive debugger; a Forth development system, which includes an RTX Forth cross-compiler; a disassembler; and a DOS file utility program. A Forth kernel and a multitasking operating system are also available.
From others: Laboratory Microsystems (Marina del Rey, CA), Forth Inc (Manhattan Beach, CA), and others have software packages for the RTX 2000 μP. MicroProcessor Engineering's Power Forth for its development board is an extended Forth-83 development environment.

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TRANSPUTER FAMILY

16/32-BIT CMOS

AVAILABILITY: Now for 20-, 25-, and 30-MHz parts in PGAs, PLCCs, and PQFPs.
COST: In 100 qty PGAs: T222, $57; T400, $84; T425, $167; T800, $278; T801, $334.
SECOND SOURCE: None, but also manufactured at parent company SGS-Thomson's Carrollton, TX, fabrication plant.

Description: The Transputer family is a range of software-compatible 16-and 32-bit μPs. Each part has a CPU, on-chip SRAM (2k or 4k bits), timers, external memory interface, and 2 or 4 serial links. The links are 20M-bps DMA channels for communications and building multiprocessor systems. The serial links are DMA channels into the Transputer memory system and allow software processes to run on independent Transputers and communicate directly via the links. T8xx devices have an on-chip 64-bit FPU.

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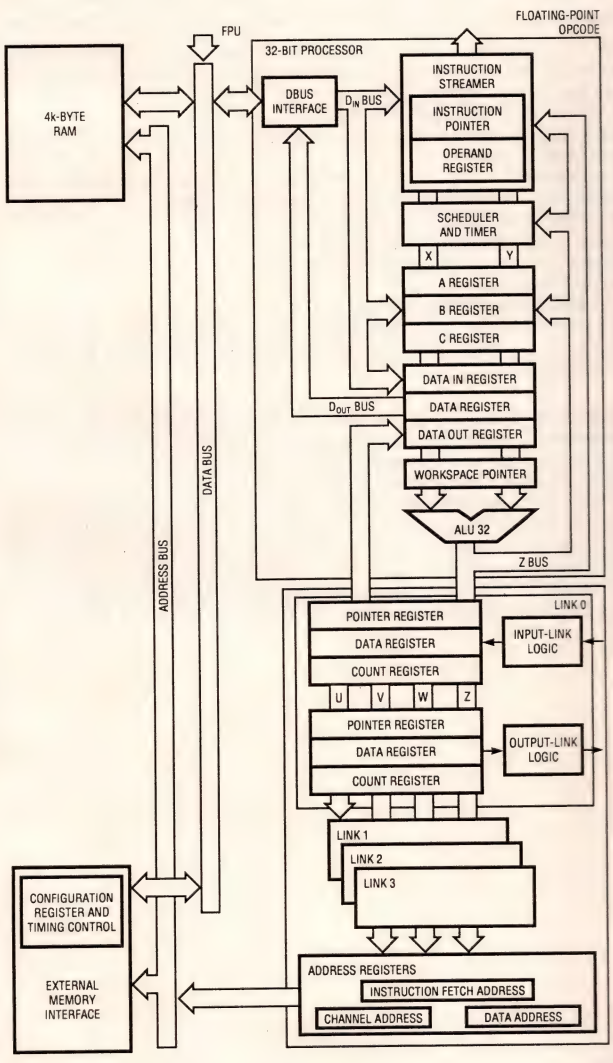
Status: Volume buildup has been slow. One possible explanation is that most of the applications have been for multiprocessor configurations (typically 4 to 10 Transputers), so designers have been engrossed by the challenge of developing practical parallelism. More than 1000 designs worldwide use the Transputer.

HARDWARE — CHARACTERISTICS — SOFTWARE

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
Integer arithmetic, including multiply and divide. Logicals, shifts, and comparisons. T800 has on-chip IEEE floating-point add and subtract, multiply and divide, and square root, both 32 and 64 bits.



II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
Memory-bandwidth block moves, 2-dimensional block moves for graphics bitblt. Load/store of local variables done relative to workspace pointer. Indexed load/stores available from address in A register. Immediate loads done 4 bits at a time. Large immediate values loadable from tables, instruction stream, or a sequence of special instructions.

III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Conditional and unconditional jumps. Procedure call and return. Subroutine call and return. Computed jumps. Process (task) creation and deletion. 2-level priority and time-sliced scheduling with message passing and time events using built-in hardware. One level of interrupt.

IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
Error flag detects overflow. Test, set, clear, stop-on-error instructions. One error flag per task priority level. Instructions for checking array bounds.

Specification summary: Family of 16- and 32-bit μPs designed for multiprocessing. Unique in that they have the hardware and software links that allow them to be hooked to each other for parallel processing. Four full-duplex, 20M-bps serial links driven by on-chip, 8-channel DMA provide basic multiprocessor communication links as well as I/O. One 5-MHz external clock generates 20-MHz chip clocks, giving 50-nsec instruction cycle. Submicrosecond interrupt latency, procedure call, and task switch. Most instructions take 1 or 2 cycles. Integer multiply takes 38 cycles; divide takes 39 cycles (less than 2 μsec). Single-precision floating-point add takes 7 cycles (350 nsec), floating-point multiply takes 11 to 18 cycles (550 to 900 nsec), and floating-point divide takes 16 to 28 cycles (800 to 1400 nsec).

Hardware notes:
1. Diagram is for T425. T800 is the same but adds an FPU. T801 is the same as the T800 except that the external memory interface is a nonmultiplexed data/address bus instead of the T800 multiplexed bus. T222 is the same as the T800 except that it has a 16-bit internal architecture and the FPU has been removed. The T400 is a low-cost variant with 2 links and 2k bits of on-chip memory.
2. Unlike most 32-bit machines, there is no group of general-purpose registers. Instead, substantial on-chip RAM plays equivalent role.
3. ALU fed from 3 accumulators forming a small 3-deep stack, allowing compact implied addressing.
4. The four serial links allow arrays of Transputers in multiprocessing with no bus saturation, which is the reason speed increase is said to be linear when more μPs are added.

Software notes:
1. Frugal 4-bit operation code allows only 16 basic instructions. Most of these are movement types (category II) involving one workspace-pointer-relative 4-bit address and used to push and pop data on and off evaluation stack.
2. Two priority-ordered process queues are each supported by front and back registers, indicating a linked list of processes ready to run. Event-based multitasking is fully supported by a real-time kernel in microcode.
3. Supplier's Occam language said to facilitate programming multiple Transputer systems, but programmer must still study how best to partition task. Third parties have announced extensions to C to accomplish same ends.

HARDWARE — SUPPORT — SOFTWARE

Inmos offers development systems based on mother board for hosts such as the IBM PC, SUN, and DEC/VAX systems. Each mother board can accommodate Transputer Modules (TRAMs), which contain Transputer and memory. You can build multiprocessor systems by plugging multiple TRAMs into the mother board. Software controls the configuration. Third parties support the modules, which have industry standard pinouts. Memory sizes range from 32k to 8M bytes.

Inmos supplies compilers for hosts such as IBM PC, VAX (VMS), and Sun systems. ANSI C, Fortran, Pascal, and Occam are the languages that Inmos supports. Available software-debugging tools include network debugger, breakpoint, and trace facilities. Third-party vendors support Ada, Modula 2, and Prolog, and operating system environments such as Helos, Linda, and TransIdris.

Z8000/Z16C00

16/32-BIT NMOS AND CMOS

AVAILABILITY: Now for NMOS Z8000 at 6 and 10 MHz. Now for CMOS Z16C00 at 10 MHz; 16-MHz version will be available late in 1990.

COST: $4.72 (10k) for Z8000 in PLCC package.

SECOND SOURCE: SGS-Thomson, and Sharp for Z8000.

CORE: Zilog has both Z8000 and Z16C00 as cores in its in-house ASIC library and plans to use Zbus for its systems on silicon. The company says that 160 × 160-mil Z8000 core is small enough to leave room for other functions on practical 400 × 400-mil ASIC.

Description: One of the first μPs to have architectural features of a modern minicomputer. Original 16-bit Z8000 comes in 40-pin package for addressing 64k-byte memory or in 48-pin package for addressing 8M-byte memory. Said by many industry observers to be architecturally more powerful than 8086 but less powerful than 68000. Supplier says military has found it to be highest performance 16-bit μP, offering best CPU speed, interrupt handling, character-string search, and block moves.

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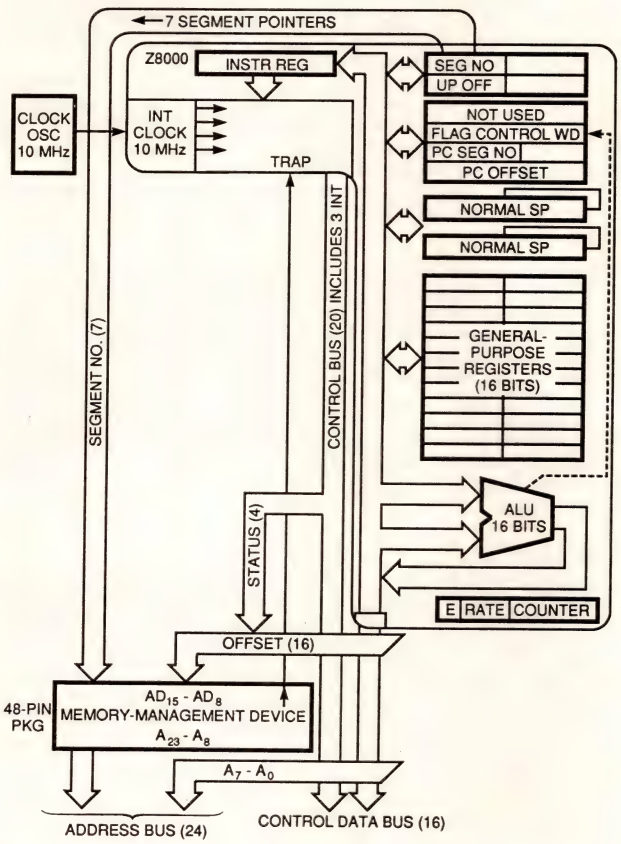
Status: The Z8000 has found most acceptance in real-time control applications, particularly military, according to Zilog. The company has added the Z16C00 16-bit CMOS microcomputer to the family for real-time embedded control applications. The company is licensing its 16-bit core for customer applications.

HARDWARE — CHARACTERISTICS — SOFTWARE



Hardware notes:
Supplier has companion peripherals suitable for both processors: For Z8000, a range of DMA, FIFO, data ciphering (NBS), communications, and counter/timer parts.
For Z16C00, a system general logic unit—16C20—contains memory support, DMA, interrupts, and I/O. For 16C01, a CMOS dual MMU80210 addresses 128 segments compatible with the 8010 NMOS MMU.

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
Arithmetic, including add, subtract, decimal adjust, increment, decrement, multiply (signed), divide (signed). Logicals, including AND, OR, exclusive OR, compare, test, complement, rotate, and shift (by n). Operations can be on bit, BCD nibble, byte, 16-bit word, or 32-bit double word, and can use any of the 16 general-purpose registers as accumulator.
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
Eight addressing modes using general-purpose registers as indexers and stack pointers.
Comprehensive set of block-transfer and string-manipulation macroequivalents, including many dedicated to I/O space.
III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Call and call relative (± 4096 bytes).
System call using special system stack pointer.
Jump conditionals.
IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
Set and reset flags, complement flags. Set-multiple-interrupt modes.
Tests for the micro-in and micro-out lines for multiple-microprocessor configurations.

Specification summary: Common-memory architecture with optional separate I/O space and separate systems stack. Z8000 is 16-bit μP that has directly addressable memory space of 8M bytes (8001) using segment pointers, expandable to 48M bytes using the six available memory spaces and an MMU. Executes 110 basic instructions with 410 combinations at speeds ranging from 0.30 μsec through 1 or 2 μsec to 7 μsec for 16-bit multiply, all at 10-MHz system clock (6 MHz also available). Eight large-computer-style addressing modes. NMOS, requiring one 5V supply (plus substrate-decoupling capacitor), in either 40- or 48-pin package. Z16C00 is a CMOS compatible version of Z8000 and can run same software.

HARDWARE — SUPPORT — SOFTWARE

From Zilog: Z16C00 development board ($250). 500-pg Z8000 technical manual.
From others: Tools available from Applied Micro, Boston Systems, Kontron, Orion, Single Board Solutions, and Tektronix. Contact supplier for addresses.

From Zilog: Real-time application software (IBM PC based). C compilers and cross assemblers. Contact supplier for names and addresses of software-support vendors.

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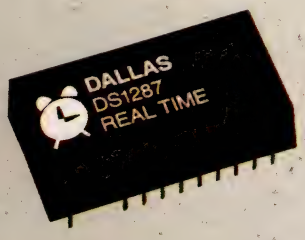

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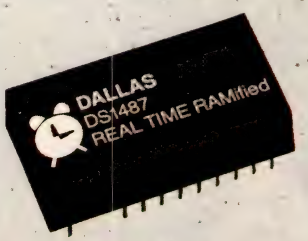
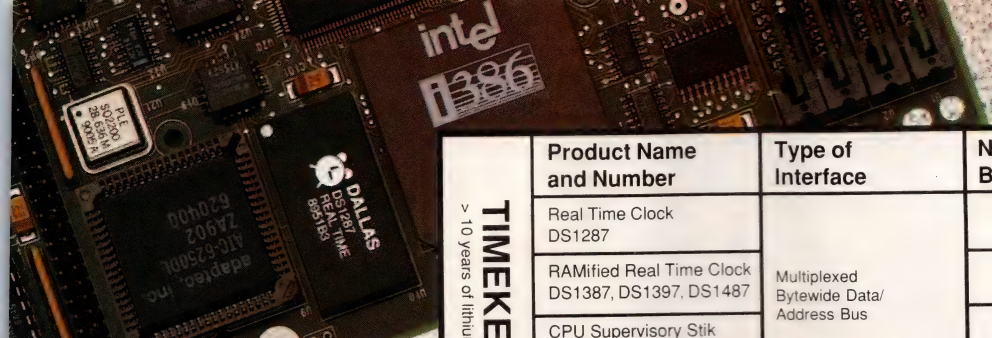


The DS1487 RAMified Real Time Clock features 8K bytes of NV SRAM to store data essential to the operation of the equipment.



	Product Name and Number	Type of Interface	NV SRAM Bytes	Special Features
TIMEKEEPERS > 10 years of lithium +/- 1 minute/month. Quartz included. U.L. listed.	Real Time Clock DS1287	Multiplexed Bytewide Data/ Address Bus	50	Replaces MC 146818A; MS-DOS compatible; programmable interrupts; square wave output. Meets MCA and EISA NV RAM requirements.
	RAMified Real Time Clock DS1387, DS1397, DS1487		4K/8K	
	CPU Supervisory Stik DS2287		8K/32K	See above, plus power monitor and cold starts computer from keyboard.
	Watchdog Timekeeper DS1286	Conventional Bytewide SRAM Bus	50	CPU watchdog; programmable interrupts; square wave output; wake up interrupts.
	RAMified Timekeeper DS1386		32K	
	CPU Supervisory Stik DS2286		8K	See above, plus power monitor and cold starts computer from keyboard.
	SmartWatch/RAM DS1216 B, C, D	Conventional Bytewide SRAM and EPROM Bus with Phantom Interface	2K → 512K	Timekeeper built into a socket; mated SRAM converts to NV RAM.
	SmartWatch/ROM DS1216 E, F		(EPROM) 8K → 512K	NV SRAM packaged with timekeeper.
	NV SRAM with Phantom Clock DS1243Y, DS1244Y		8K/32K	
CHIPS Add lithium and quartz for time and NV SRAM.	Real Time Clock Chip DS1285	Multiplexed Bytewide Data/ Address Bus	50	Replaces MC 146818A; MS-DOS compatible; programmable interrupts; square wave output. Meets MCA and EISA NV RAM requirements.
	RAMified Real Time Clock Chip DS1385, DS1395, DS1491		4K/8K	
	Watchdog Timekeeper Chip DS1283, DS1284	Conventional Bytewide SRAM Bus	50	Programmable interrupts; square wave output. Controller provides battery backup circuitry for SRAM - 2.0 to 5.5 volt operation.
	Phantom Time Chip DS1215	Conventional Bytewide SRAM and EPROM Bus Controller with Phantom Interface	external	Battery backup circuitry for SRAM. Add-in real time clock uses same SRAM/EPROM signals.
	Serial Timekeeper Chip DS1202	3-Wire Serial Interface	24	2.0 to 5.5 volt operation; serial I/O for minimum pin count.

number, password, type of add-in boards, or field service warranty information.

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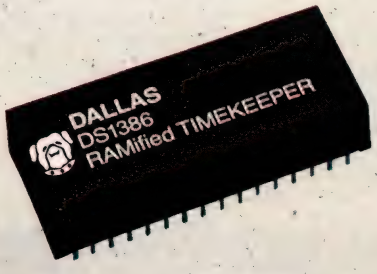
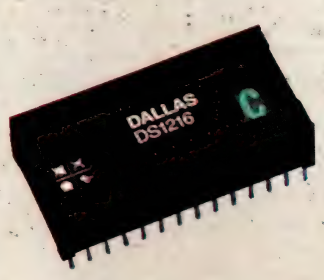


The DS1386 RAMified Timekeeper guards against computer malfunction and mimics bytewide static RAM; it comes with 32K bytes of NV SRAM.



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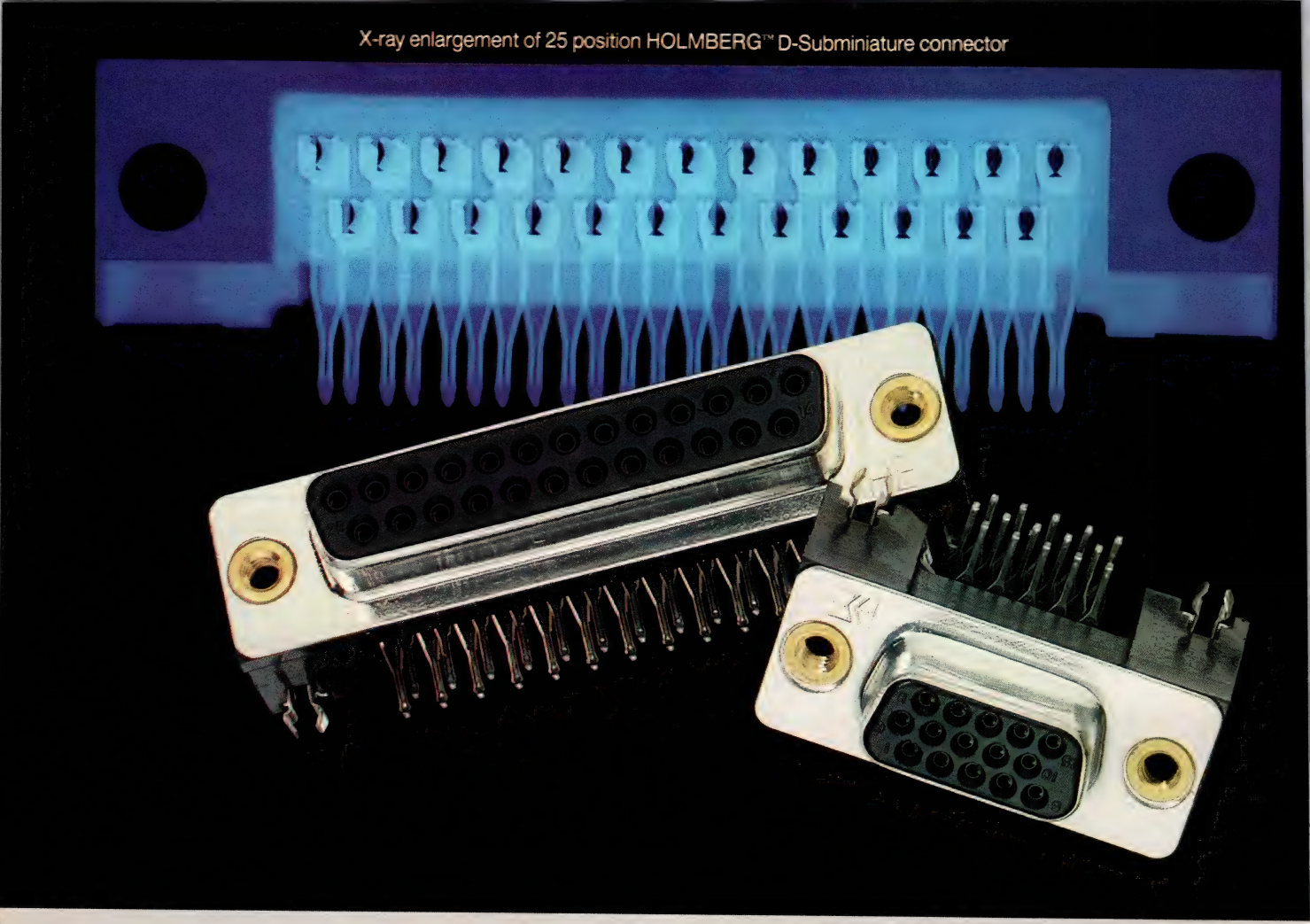

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AVAILABILITY: Now from Allied-Signal Microelectronics Center, LSI Logic, and United Technologies Microelectronics Center (UTMC).

COST: Allied-Signal charges $760 (1000) for its part screened to 883C level B. The LSI Logic part costs $1334 (100) screened to 883C in a PGA; a Class S part in a PGA costs $4406 (100). The 883C part from UTMC, screened fully to Standard Military drawings (SMD), costs $659 (100) for 12-MHz and $791 (100) for 16-MHz devices. For high-reliability and military-temperature screening only, the price is $555 (10 qty, 12 MHz) and $666 (10 qty, 16 MHz).

SECOND SOURCE: In negotiation.

Description: MIL-STD-1750A defines instruction-set architecture for airborne computers. The standard leaves implementation to discretion of chip vendors. Allows use and reuse of available software support. Radiation-hardened and 883C level-S versions of many 1750A implementations available.

Status: Allied-Signal 40-MHz device has been in production for 3 years. A 50-MHz version will extend performance to 6.0 MIPS on the integer DAIS (Digital Avionics Instruction Set) mix and to 4.1 MIPS on full DAIS with floating-point unit. Allied-Signal MMU chip and LSI Logic's 1750A processor also in production. UTMC's unit is in full production as an 883C product that conforms to the Defense Electronics Supply Center standard military drawing. UTMC offers the device to 10^5 rad (Si) total-dose radiation hardness to meet data-sheet specifications.

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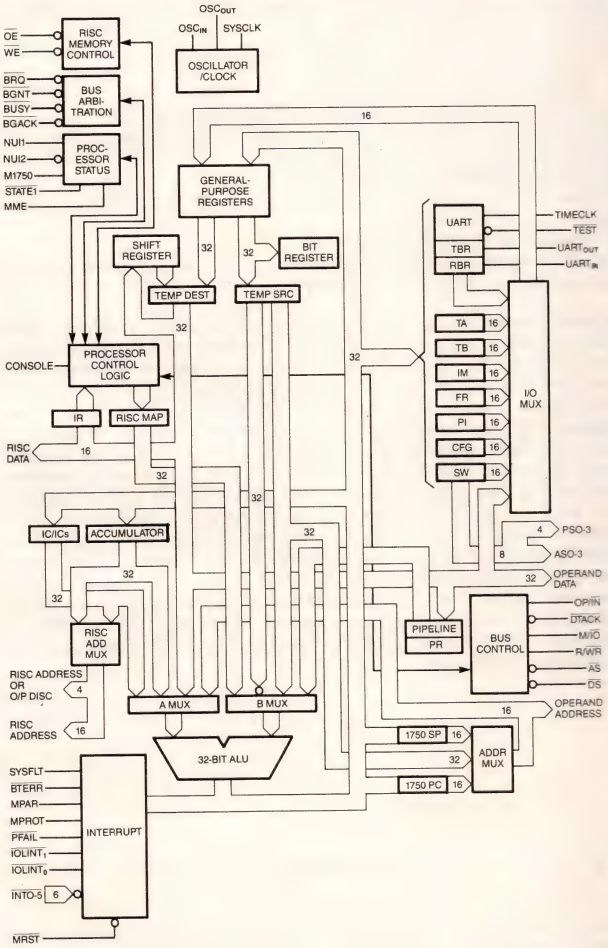

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
Add, subtract, multiply, divide, and compare. Logicals and shifts. The instructions also provide bit-manipulation capabilities such as set, reset, and test. Single- and double-precision fixed floating-point and extended floating-point formats.

II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
Instructions let you move data from register to memory, memory to register, between registers, and to the stack. Loads and stores in all formats plus test and set-bit operations.

III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Conditional and unconditional jumps and branches. Calls are also supported. Stack management instructions suitable for high-level languages. Handles 16 levels of prioritized interrupts.

IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
Emulation-mode status register accessible through I/O instructions. Instructions for accessing status, interrupt-mask, and fault registers.

Specification summary: The Allied-Signal version is a single-chip implementation that includes timers, counters, a hardware multiply, and a floating-point unit. The LSI Logic L64500 1750A implementation has a 16-bit CPU, expandable to 32 bits depending on the operation. The L64550 includes MMU with memory expansion to 1M words, block-protect unit, memory-fault status register, bus-arbitration unit with 6 bus masters, start-up ROM interface, I/O port, trigger-go counter, and other options. Marconi's MAS281 is a radiation-hardened 3-chip silicon-on-sapphire (SOS) module. The MAS31750 is a single-chip SOS version.

Hardware notes:
Diagram is for the UTMC 1750AR. Functions as a stand-alone RISC processor providing 8 MIPS at 16 MHz. In the 1750A operation mode, a throughput of 750k IPS at 16 MHz is achieved using the DAIS mix. Basic µP accepts 64k bytes of memory, expandable to 1M byte using an MMU.

Representative 1750A microprocessors

Part number	Vendor	Technology	Price 883C	Price class S
BX1750A	Allied Signal Microelectronics	CMOS	$750 (100)	—
L64500	LSI Logic	CMOS	$1334 (1000)	$4406 (1000)
MAS281	Marconi	CMOS/SOS	$1600 (100)	$8000 (20)
MAS31750	Marconi	CMOS/SOS	$2000 (100)	$10,000 (20)
1750AR	United Technologies Microelectronics	CMOS	$659 (100)	$1976–$3950 (100)

HARDWARE — SUPPORT — SOFTWARE

You can use an IBM PC with the software tools to provide interactive simulation and debugging of system configurations.
Allied-Signal Microelectronics Center offers a development system for the A-S BX1750A that converts an IBM PC into a real-time, mappable monitor/debugger. An Ada source-level interface is under development.
Tasco (Bellevue, WA) has an ICE pod for the HP 64000 development system. Call LSI Logic for contact phone numbers.

Assemblers and compilers are available from several outside sources. Mikros Systems offers high-level debug software for its single-board computer/IBM PC system.
UTMC offers a software package to aid in the development and debugging of system software and hardware. The software tool kit consists of a RISC or 1750 monitor, along with an interactive RISC simulator.

340X0 GRAPHICS μP FAMILY

32-BIT CMOS

AVAILABILITY: Now for 34010 and 34020. The 34082 floating-point unit is sampling now and is scheduled to be available in volume in the first quarter of 1991.
COST: The 34010 costs $23 (10k), the 34020 costs $89 (10k), and the 34082 floating-point unit costs $175 for samples.
SECOND SOURCE: Under active consideration.

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Description: This 32-bit CMOS μP family is optimized for graphics-display systems. Features built-in instruction cache and ability to simultaneously access memory and registers. In addition to regular μP instructions, it has specialized instructions for pixel manipulation. 1G-byte address space is bit addressable on bit boundaries using variable-width data fields (1 to 32 bits). The 34010 has a multiplexed, external 16-bit address/data bus; the 34020 is a full 32-bit machine. The 34020 is upwardly object-code compatible with the 34010 and features additional graphics-specific instructions.

Status: Despite this μP family's specialized slant toward CRT graphics, it does have a general-purpose Von Neumann architecture and instruction set. Also, some of its attributes can be equally applied to other, nongraphics applications. In particular, the μP can do rapid bit manipulation of a large local address field. A number of IBM PC-based board-level products incorporate this part. X-Window terminals are an example of an application in which this family's graphics and general-purpose capabilities are utilized. One nongraphic area users are exploring is industrial control. In this area, the 340X0's bit manipulation and low cost relative to other 32-bit μPs are attractive, according to TI (even for consumer-oriented uses such as arcade games).

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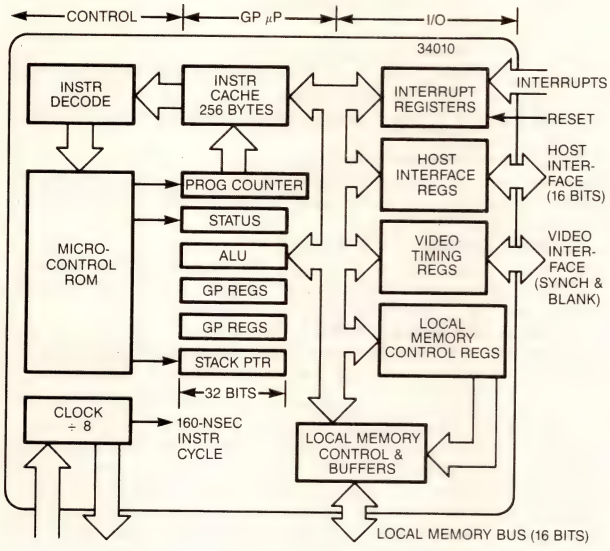

Hardware notes:
1. Diagram represents 34010.
2. Added graphics features are embodied in the second 16×32-bit register file and among 28 16-bit I/O control registers. They allow programmable pixel and pixel-array processing for both monochrome and color systems of variable pixel sizes. Hardware incorporates 2-operand raster operations with Boolean and arithmetic operations, x-y addressing, window clipping, window pick operations, 1- to n-bit/pixel transforms, transparency, and plane masking.

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
General-purpose μP instructions: add and subtract, multiply and divide, rotate and shift, compare and logicals.
Special graphics instructions: add, subtract, and comparisons relating to x-y coordinates.
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
General purpose: move byte, move field, move register.
Special graphics instructions: move x half of register, move y half of register, pixel transfer, pixel block transfer.
III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Call subroutine, conditional decrement and skip, push/pop, software interrupt, return from interrupt.
IV—PROGRAM STATUS-MANIP INSTR
Has 32-bit status register (not all bits used) that can be accessed and used for program-manipulation decisions.

Specification summary: 32-bit general-purpose CMOS processor with added hardware and software features to support CRT raster graphics. Chip contains two 16×32-bit register files, hardware stack pointer, and 256-byte instruction cache. One of the 16-word register files contains a stack pointer and 15 general-purpose registers (the equivalent of the general-purpose registers found in nonspecialized μPs). Addressing modes of these registers are tuned to support high-level languages. Other register file is dedicated to CRT control as described in hardware note. Has 32-bit-wide address-data bus to support 1G byte of off-chip local memory space. Interfaces directly to dynamic RAMs and video RAMs (including dual-port RAMs). A microcoded local-memory controller supports pipelined memory write operations of variable-size fields that may be executed in parallel with ALU operations. Has separate 16-bit-wide data bus and associated control pins to interface with host μP. Fabricated in 5V CMOS and packaged in 68-pin PLCC. The 34020 is compatible with the 34010, but provides a 512-byte cache and supports 1M-bit video-RAM chips.

HARDWARE — SUPPORT — SOFTWARE

From TI: TMS34010 software development board ($1495), which plugs into IBM PC or compatible. Used for evaluation, familiarization, and software development, and comes with user interface and debugger software. TMS34010 XDS/22 emulator box ($14,995) operates as a standalone unit with nonintelligent terminal or with IBM PC or compatible as host. The TMS34020 software development board and hardware emulator system provide the same development functions for the 34020.
From others: Board-level and other hardware support now available from numerous sources. See TI's *TMS 34010 3rd-Party Guide* (call (800) 232-3200, ext 701, and ask for literature No. SPVB066C).

From TI: TMS34010 code-generation tools include assembler, linker, and compiler for IBM PC, VAX, Apollo, and Sun 3/4 ($1250 to $5000). Texas Instruments has developed TIGA-340, a standard software interface for the TMS340 family of graphics processors. Development tools for TIGA (Texas Instruments Graphics Architecture) include a $340 driver developer's kit, which helps software developers make existing software run on TIGA-compatible 34010 boards; a $1500 software developer's kit for those who want to develop direct 34010 code or custom downloadable extensions to TIGA, includes a 34010 C compiler, an assembler, bit-map font and math/graphics source-code libraries; and a $15,000 software-porting kit for hardware developers to make 34010-based systems TIGA compatible.
From others: See the TI TMS 34010 3rd-Party Guide.

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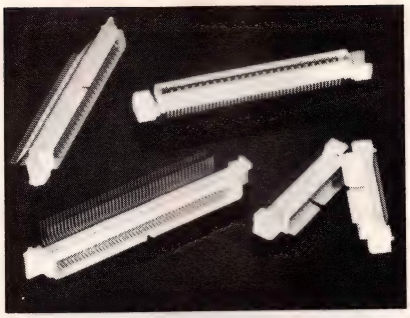

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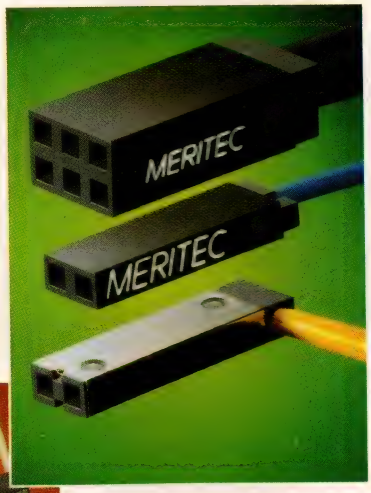

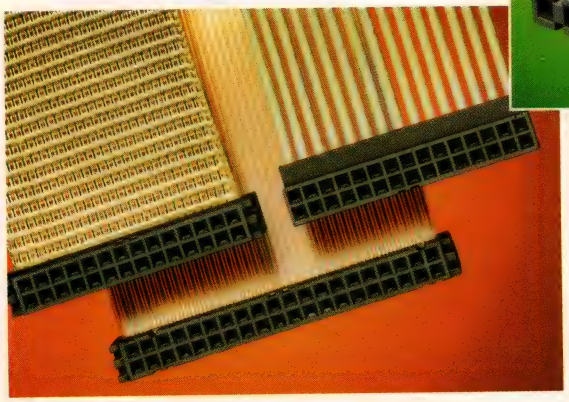

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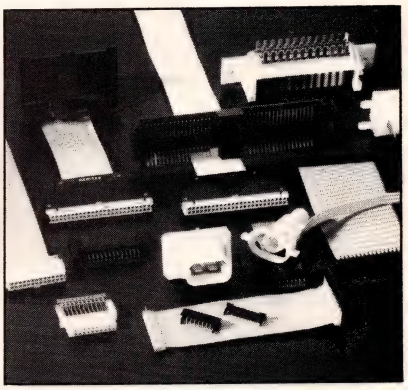

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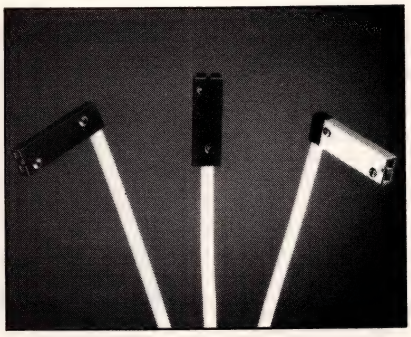

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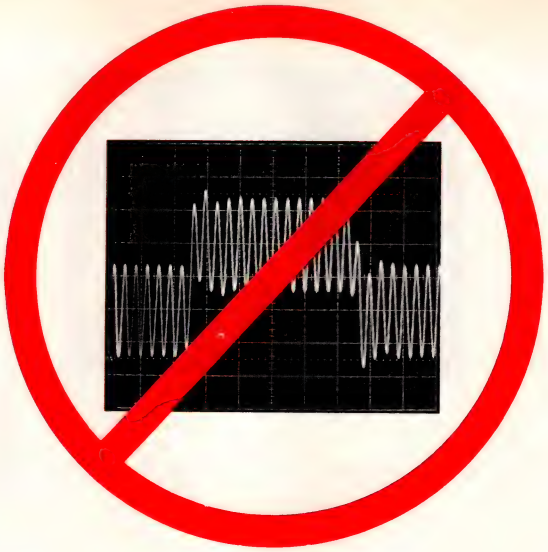

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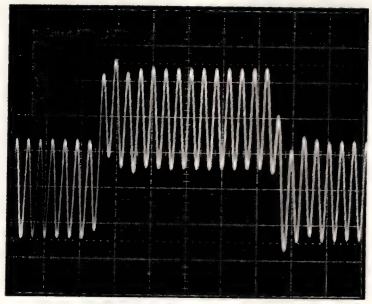

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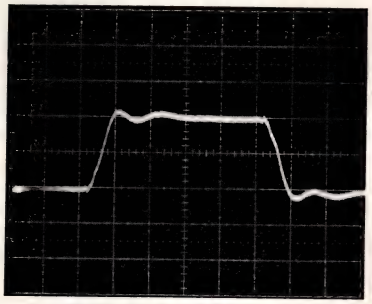

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68000 FAMILY

8/32-BIT, 16/32-BIT, 32/32-BIT NMOS AND CMOS

AVAILABILITY: Now for 68000 to 12 MHz, 68HC000 to 16 MHz, 68HC001 to 16 MHz, 68020 to 33 MHz, 68030 to 50 MHz, and 68040 at 25 MHz.
COST: For lower-frequency devices in 1000 qty, prices range from $5.50 for 68000 and $7.10 for 68HC00X to $47 for 68020 and $95 for 68030. Sample qty pricing for 68040 is $795.
SECOND SOURCE: Hitachi, SGS-Thomson, and Signetics/Philips all licensed with mask interchange for 16-bit parts. No second sources for 68020, 68030, or 68040.
CORE: Motorola is using core with a mix of peripheral functions and glue logic in its 68300 family for embedded control. Signetics/Philips has the 68000 core in its ASIC library.

Description: 68000 architecture combines flexible 32-bit register set and large linear address space with powerful instruction set and flexible addressing modes. The 68040 is a full 68000-compatible μP containing an integer unit, floating-point unit (FPU), MMU, and instruction and data caches. The 680x0 family will get a boost from its 68300 derivatives in embedded control. 68300 family based on 68000 core and is software compatible.

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Status: The success of the 68000 family is largely due to the Apple Macintosh II and the family's popularity in Unix-based workstations. The H8/532 is the other microprocessor in the legal battle that involves Motorola's 68030.

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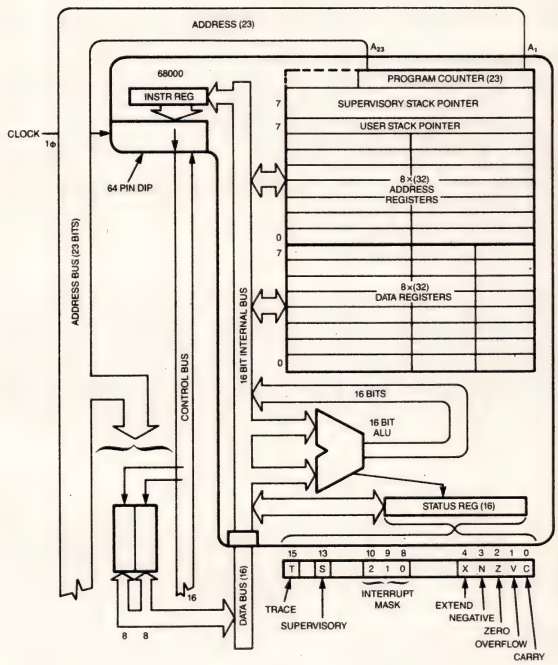

Hardware notes:
1. Diagram of basic 16-bit 68000. Family offers growth path from 8-to 16- to 32-bit μPs. Performance results from multiple ALUs, 32-bit internal operation, and nonmultiplexed address and data buses.
2. Bottom-of-the-line 68008 has only 8-bit data bus and 20- or 22-bit address bus. 68010 is similar to 68000 but supports virtual memory. 68010 has 24-bit address bus. 68020 and 68030 are 32 bits throughout, including ALU and address and data paths. Both have instruction caches, and the 68030 also has a data cache and MMU. The 68040 adds an IEEE 754-compatible FPU.
3. Signetics/Philips 68070 includes 68000 CPU, two DMA channels, counter/timers, and an IC bus interface.

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
Arithmetic, including multiply and divide (signed and unsigned).
Logicals, rotates, and shifts.
Can handle bits, BCD nibbles, bytes, short (16 bits) and long (32 bits) words.
Floating-point coprocessors 68881/2 available.
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
Five basic address modes are register direct, register indirect, immediate, absolute, and program-counter relative. Postincrementing, predecrementing, offsetting, and indexing can be added to these models.
Can use eight 32-bit address registers as indexes or stack pointers. The eight 32-bit data registers can also serve as indexes.
III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Branch and jump to subroutine. Branch conditionally.
Link and unlink instructions invoking one address register as frame pointer (used to establish temporary local environments in structured programming).
Seven levels of priority interrupts, including nonmaskable, with 256 possible interrupt vectors.
IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
16-bit status register is software accessible.
Sophisticated trap operations help user debug programs.
Trace mode.
V—SYSTEM-CONTROL INSTRUCTIONS
Privileged instructions for operating systems and multiprocessor communication.

Specification summary: 68040 is the newest and highest-performance 68000 family member. This device is a 32-bit CMOS virtual-memory μP with multiple concurrent execution units. You can access the 4-way set-associative 4k-byte instruction and data caches simultaneously. The caches are organized in 64 sets of four 16-byte lines. The autonomous nature of the caches allows instruction-stream fetches, data-stream access, and third external access to occur during instruction execution. The 68040's parallelism allows multiple instructions that don't require external accesses to execute concurrently while the processor executes an external access for a previous instruction. The 68040 provides multimaster and multiprocessor support. Additionally, the processor can snoop the external bus during accesses by other bus masters to maintain coherency between the 68040 caches and external memory systems.
HDS-300 hardware/software development station ($15,000 to $20,000) provides real-time emulation of 68000-family μPs with bus-state-analyzer support and source-level debugging. MEX68KECB educational computer board is based on 68000. VM04 is a 68020-based 32-bit Versamodule interconnected within a target system using the 32-bit, asynchronous, Versabus interconnect standard. VME130 is a 68020-based, 32-bit VMEbus module using Eurocard mechanical format.

HARDWARE — SUPPORT — SOFTWARE

From third parties: Family widely supported by makers of universal μP development systems. Also, VMEbus system architecture is used in a range of applications with more than 150 independent suppliers of compatible products.
VersaDOS real-time operating system, system V/68 OS, CP/M-68K OS, concurrent DOS-68K OS, and VRTX real-time OS ($6775 from Hunter Systems). Unix support from Motorola includes direct ports of Unix System V. X assembler for Exormax and VME/10, X-C compiler VME/10, and Exormax for VAX/780 available.

From third parties: Supplier has catalog listing outside support for family. New type of support software lets 68000 run MS-DOS (8086) programs using emulation from Phoenix (Norwood, MA) and Insignia (London, UK; offices in San Francisco) or by using binary translation from Hunter Systems (Palo Alto, CA).

SERIES 32000

8/32-BIT, 16/32-BIT, 32/32-BIT NMOS AND CMOS

AVAILABILITY: Now.
COST: $11.50 to $600 (1000) (see table).
SECOND SOURCE: None.
CORE: National Semiconductor is using the 32000 as the basis for its application-specific embedded processors.

Description: A 32-bit μP family in which various models feature different-sized address and data buses. The 32-bit core processor is highly symmetric; that is, its instructions and addressing apply regularly to all registers, which supplier claims makes high-level-language compilers easier to write. It also has reputation for needing less memory space for programs. Some models offer instructions to support graphics and DSP. A slave processor interface lets you expand the CPU's capabilities.

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Status: The vendor recently introduced three family members: the NS32GX320, NS32FX16, and NS32CG160. Hardware and software integration techniques suit these processors for embedded applications such as page printers, facsimile machines, and multifunction office peripherals.

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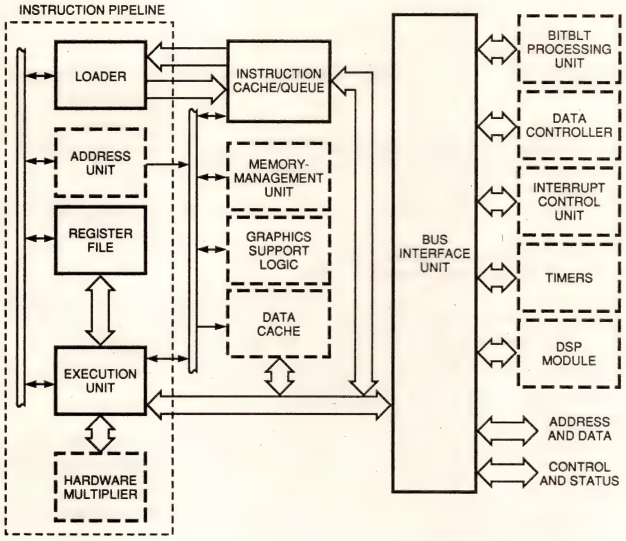

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
All instructions operate on either 8-, 16-, or 32-bit data and can be accessed by any appropriate addressing mode. Multiply and divide, BCD arithmetic, logicals, and bit manipulation throughout memory space and CPU registers.
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
Intelligent string operations and bit-field handling allow efficient movements.
III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Stack- and frame-pointer instructions suitable for high-level languages (including Polish notation). Modular software support via special CPU hardware (Mod register) and tables automatically implemented for indirect addressing of position-independent ROMs, etc. Array instructions.
IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
Status registers in slave processors and MMU as well as in CPU, with both privileged and user access.
V—APPLICATION-SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS
Graphics and digital signal processing.

Specification summary: 32-bit, "maxi-mini"-type pipelined architecture. Uniform addressing of as many as 4G memory locations. Instruction set chosen to match operations needed by high-level-language compilers. All instructions can symmetrically apply to all data types (8, 16, and 32 bits, etc) and all register and memory locations. Performance of family ranges from ¾ to 10 MIPS (sustained).

Hardware notes:
1. Dashed lines in diagram indicate optional modules for the 32000 family.
2. Floating-point chips (32081, 32181, and 32381) are examples of slave-type processors that vendor uses to extend CPU. These processors will be integrated on CPU when VLSI processing technology permits; they are transparent to programmer and recognize op codes not used by CPU.
3. Also available is the NS32580 that interfaces the CPU to the Weitek WTL3164 floating-point data path.

Series 32000/EP family chips

Device	DSP features	Bitblt support	On-chip peripherals	Buses	On-chip caches	Memory management	Clock rates (MHz)	Price (1000)
32FX16	DSP accelerator	Microcode	DMA	24 ADDRs 16 data multiplexed	None	No	15 20 25	$23.20 $33.60 $40.80
32CG160	Multiplier	Microcode and hardware	DMA interrupt timers	24 ADDRs 16 data multiplexed	None	No	15 20 25	$38.90 $40.70 $48.40
32GX320	Multiplier DSP instr	None	DMA interrupt timers	32 ADDRs 32 data	Instruction and data	No	20 25 30	$135.70 $155.25 $224.25
32GX32	None	None	None	32 ADDRs 32 data	Instruction and data	No	20 25 30	$105.80 $120.90 $197.20
32CG16	None	Microcode	None	24 ADDRs 16 data multiplexed	None	No	10 15	$11.50 $21.70
32532	None	None	None	32 ADDRs 32 data	Instruction and data	Yes	20 25 30	$465.00 $535.00 $600.00

HARDWARE SUPPORT SOFTWARE

From National: SYS32/20 converts IBM PC/AT into a Series 32000/EP development tool (from $3500). Development/evaluation boards are also available for each of the processors.
From others: ISE support for all the Series 32000/EP processors is available from Hewlett-Packard. Various vendors also offer turn-key solutions and/or design support for National Semiconductor's processors. Contact Series 32000/EP Marketing for details.

From National: GNX (Genix Native and Cross) development-tools software includes assembler package and choice of C, Pascal, or Fortran compilers available for native (Sys32/50) and cross-development environments. Software that enables the 32FX16 and 32GX320 to operate as either a FAX modem or data modem is also available.
From others: Various Postscript and Postscript-compatible language interpreters, as well as related software support (fonts, PCL, etc) are available for laser-printer-controller designs. DOS-based development tools are available from Introl.

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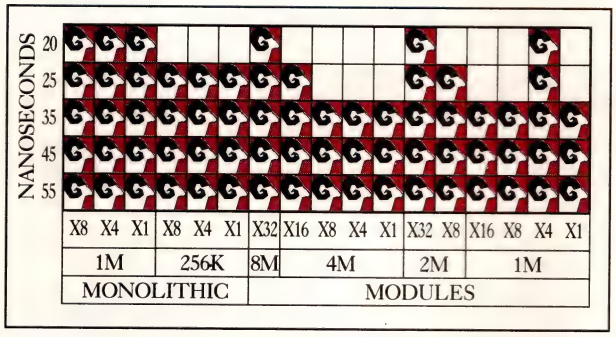

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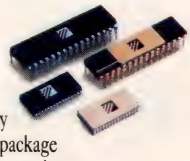

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AVAILABILITY: Now for 86C010 and 86C020. VL86C050 I/O processor samples available now.
COST: $39 (100) for 86C010; $125 (100) for 86C020. 86C050 samples in PQFP $80.
SECOND SOURCE: Sanyo Semiconductor Ltd sources the 86C010.
CORE: Part of VLSI's cell library. (Was designed by customer Acorn Computers using VLSI's semicustom tools.)

Description: ARM stands for Acorn-RISC machine. The VL86C020 is software compatible with the -010. The second-generation chip includes a 4k-byte unified instruction and data cache on chip. The cache uses 64-way set-associative replacement with random replacement to provide a 93% hit rate. Current devices operate at 30 MHz with 35-MHz operation available by year end as the μP migrates into a 1.0-μm process technology. Low power consumption of 0.5W suggests the part for embedded-controller applications.

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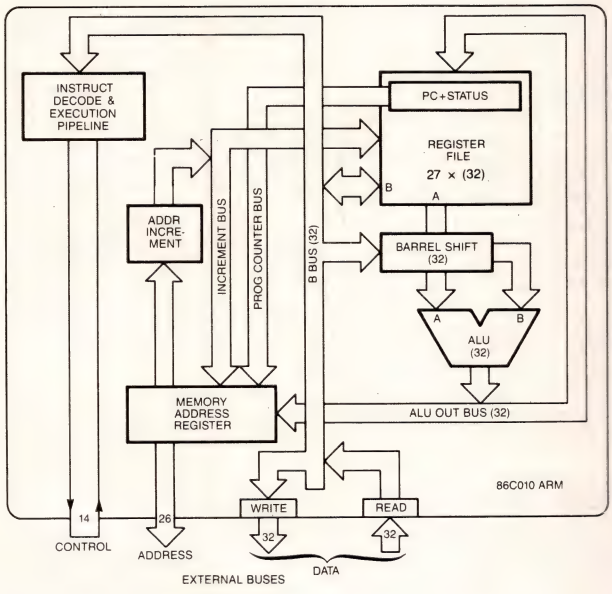
Status: The company supplies evaluation boards, assemblers, and C compilers directly. The architecture of the chip is targeted at the embedded-controller market and provides performance similar to most competing RISC processors at lower cost. VLSI's goal is to sell the VL86C020 for less than $60 in high-volume production. The cost of the cache memory is included in the processor price. Cost is kept low because of small die size (approximately 280 mils square in a 1.0-μm process) and 160-pin plastic quad flatpack packaging. A dedicated coprocessor bus necessitates the high pin count. The 86C020 has found application in laser printers, network controllers, disk controllers, and graphics subsystems.

HARDWARE — CHARACTERISTICS — SOFTWARE



I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
Add, subtract, logicals, and comparisons. Bit clear. Shifts (barrel shifter with ALU).
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
Most data movements are by register-to-register instructions with option for multiple-register addressing. Only load and store operations to memory (typical of RISC). The VL86C010 includes a semaphore operation to support multiprocessing applications.
III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Skip-type decision instructions (though old-fashioned, this simple approach can give fastest response in some cases). Branch instruction has option where combined PC and status register are copied in R14 data register for quick, simple return.
IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
Usual status bits are combined with PC and mode-control bits in a 32-bit-long register. This combination allows all three elements to be saved in one fell swoop.

Specification summary: 32-bit CMOS Von Neumann (common memory) μP with RISC-style architecture. Has simple ALU with associated barrel shifter and set of 32 registers on CPU μP chip, 16 of which are accessible to programmer. Has some features expected in a large-memory-space machine: instructions and controls to handle virtual memory and caching. 32-bit external data bus and 26-bit external address bus allow linear addressing for external 64M-byte memory space (can be addressed on 8-bit-byte or 32-bit-word basis). Only simple load and store instructions for external memory. 10- to 12-MHz, 2-phase clock gives 4- to 5-MIPS sustained performance with 10 to 12 MIPS max. Interrupt latency is 2.75 μsec max. No provisions for separate I/O addressing, so I/O must be memory mapped. Fabricated in 2-μm CMOS; chip is 230 mils on side. 0 to 70°C temperature range. Packaged in 88-pin JEDEC Type-B leadless ceramic chip carrier and plastic leadless chip carrier.

Hardware notes:
1. In addition to the 86C010 μP, VLSI has an associated set of chips for memory (86C110), video (86C310), and I/O (86V410). For floating-point math, VLSI suggests one of the commercially available coprocessors.
2. Note the 27 registers. This number is less than on some RISC machines, but the registers do overlap, as is common in RISC, to speed interrupt service (overlapping gives automatic saving of data). Thus, a programmer sees 16 registers at most, and of these, 15 are general purpose.
3. Some provisions for memory management, including cache and virtual memory through abort-signal, mode-control bits.

Software notes:
1. Only 44 instructions, in keeping with the literal RISC concept.
2. Simple RISC instructions are said to ease the task of writing efficient high-level-language compilers.
3. User and supervisory modes; supervisory mode entered by software interrupt.

HARDWARE — SUPPORT — SOFTWARE

VLSI says that much of the hardware support comes from Acorn, such as a PC-form-factor board ($2500) for software development. (Note: VLSI will probably bias its support toward the ASIC approach, in which the ARM μP will be considered a core around which the customer will be encouraged to apply "application-specific" I/O, memory, etc. Thus, VLSI's ASIC design tools might be considered part of the hardware support.)

VLSI indicates that most of the software support comes from Acorn, such as an assembler for the ARM's instruction set, a Basic interpreter, and compilers for popular high-level languages (C and Fortran-77). Compilers for artificial-intelligence languages (Cambridge Lisp and Prolog) are also available. Typical pricing for software packages is $500.

AVAILABILITY: 16-, 20-, 25-, and 33-MHz versions in production (at four locations). 80386SX, 80376 samples available now.
COST: In 1000 qty, $185 for 16-MHz 80386, $185 for 20-MHz 80386, $185 for 25-MHz 80386, $238 for 33-MHz 80386, $64 for 16-MHz 80386SX, and $112.50 for 20-MHz 80386SX. Low-power 16-MHz ($81) and 20-MHz 80386SX ($122.50) also available.
SECOND SOURCE: None.

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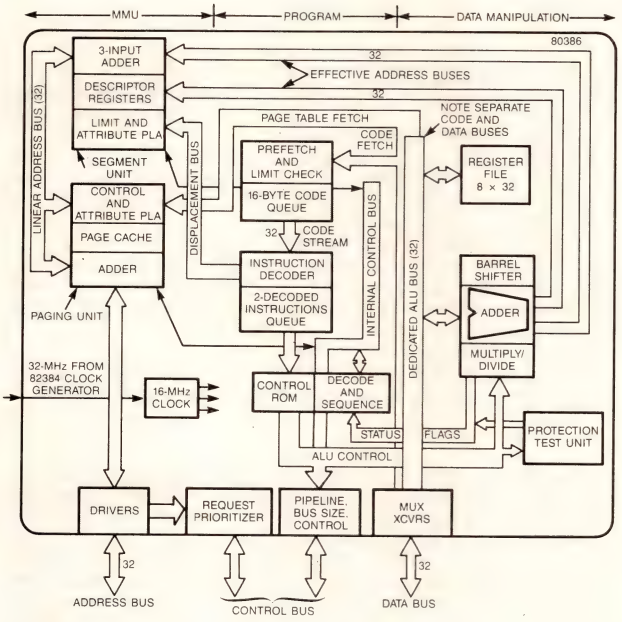
Description: The 32-bit 386 family of μPs is compatible with the 8086 and 80286 families. Included are address-translation registers and a 32-bit address bus for as many as 4G bytes of physical memory and 64T bytes of virtual memory (the SX and 376 processors have only a 24-bit address bus). Runs DOS, Windows, OS/2, Unix, iRMX, and iRMK. Virtual 8086 mode allows direct execution of 8086 software under new 32-bit operating systems. The 386SX permits the manufacture of less expensive systems with full 386 software capability.

Status: All indications point to the 80386 remaining the dominant 32-bit μP, certainly for the next five years. The 386 is the sole μP carrying the IBM PC momentum into the 32-bit world. Not satisfied that it owns the MS-DOS and OS/2 world, Intel is now aggressively after the Unix world and is in production with the 80376—a version of the 386 aimed at the embedded-controller world. Intel also offers the 80386SX, a version of the 386 that supplies a 16-bit data bus and a 24-bit address bus in standard and low-power versions.

HARDWARE CHARACTERISTICS SOFTWARE



Hardware notes:
1. No on-chip cache, but 33-MHz 82385 cache controller ($82 (1k)) and 82395DX 16k-bit cache ($109 (1k)) can implement a cache.
2. On-chip MMU chip said to allow for memory management with no penalty in bus bandwidth (if off chip, supplier says, an extra cycle would be needed). Allows choices of segmentation or paging singly or in combination for multiuser protection and for virtual memory.
3. The 80386 has its own math coprocessor, the 80387, which costs $497 for 33 MHz, $406.85 for 25 MHz (1000).
4. Along with the 80387 and 82385, the 80386 can use the 82380 32-bit peripheral combination chip that incorporates DMA and interrupt support and interval timers, etc.
5. The 80376 is compatible with the 386 programming model, but cannot run 8086 or real-mode programs. The chip has a 16-bit external bus.

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
Bit manipulation and bit-string manipulation (aided by 64-bit barrel shifter).
Conversion between bytes, words, and double words.
Arithmetic, including 16- and 32-bit operands and 32-bit signed and unsigned multiply and divide.
(80387 math coprocessor has full IEEE-754 instructions, including all transcendentals.)
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
String moves and gang push and gang pop of all registers.
Instructions to insert and extract bit strings (additional addressing modes for existing instructions allow more flexibility in assignment of registers).
III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Repeat instructions based on flags.
Enter and leave procedure instructions, conditional or unconditional branch to anywhere in 4G-byte memory space.
IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
Flag instructions mostly same as on 8086 (contains four debug registers, allowing breakpoints on data or code accesses, even when in ROM).
V—HLL AND OS INSTRUCTIONS
Instructions for checking array bounds.
Segment assignment instructions.
Load and store descriptor tables for protection (processor context switch via one instruction).

Specification summary: A more or less standard, "classical" 32-bit minicomputer architecture that has a basic register set similar to the previous 16-bit members of 8086 family so that it can directly run their machine code. It has added features that make it more general and suited to larger 32-bit environments: data-manipulation instructions that can be applied to almost any register, high-level-language-oriented instructions, operating-system-oriented instructions, and on-chip MMU. Fabricated in 1.5-μm CMOS (supplier calls it CHMOS-III), the chip is expected to consume no more than 400 mA at 32-MHz external clock (16 MHz internal). Packaged in 132-lead ceramic PGA.

Software notes:
1. Only those instructions beyond basic 8086 instructions described.
2. 80386 said to be object-code compatible with previous members of 8086 family and can run their operating systems. There is a "virtual 8086" mode in which 8086 (and 8088) code can be run within the protected 386 environment.

HARDWARE SUPPORT SOFTWARE

ICE-38625D in-circuit emulator ($22,495) supports 386DX μP to 25 MHz; ICE38633D ($33,000) supports to 33 MHz. ICE386SX in-circuit emulator ($22,500) supports 386SX to 20 MHz. ICE376D in-circuit emulator ($18,495) supports 376 to 16 MHz. All Intel ICE in-circuit emulators for the 386 family operate on a common emulator base. They provide control and display software with a common Intel windowed user interface with drop-down menus and source-code display hosted on DOS on PC and PS/2 systems. The iPAT Performance Analysis Tool provides real- and protected-mode software analysis with high-level access to target-system performance analysis and test-case coverage in real time for target systems based on the 386 family at clock speeds to 20 MHz. An iPAT-386 probe supports the 386DX μP. You can also interface the iPAT-386 to the probes of ICE in-circuit emulators for the 386DX, SX, and 376 μPs. Various Multibus I and II single-board computers are also available from Intel and other vendors for the 386DX μP.

From Intel: ASM-386 macroassembler ($600), RLL-386 binder and system software builder utilities ($600), and the MON-386 serially hosted debug monitor ($995). The C-386, Fortran-386, and PL/M-386 compilers (each $900) support 386 μP family protected-mode software cross development on DOS hosts. VAX/VMS kit support including ASM, RLL, compilers of choice, and VMS DB-386 incorporating a 386 system software simulator is also available on MicroVAX ($14,000) and VAX ($18,000) systems for cross development.
From others: Rapidly growing third-party support. Most important are MS-DOS and forthcoming OS/2 from Microsoft (Bellevue, WA). (There are variations in DOS such as Concurrent DOS by Digital Research (Monterey, CA).) Unix V from AT&T (Morristown, NJ) and Zenix from Microsoft also available. Real-time executives offered by Ready Systems (Palo Alto, CA), JMI Software (Spring House, PA), and others. In addition, there are dual combinations of operating systems such as Unix-DOS, CTOS-DOS, and DOS-DOS.
Note: Some software depends on 386 mode.

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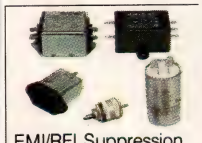
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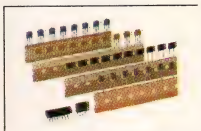
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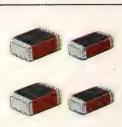
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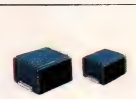
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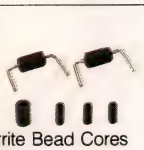
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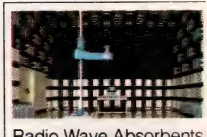
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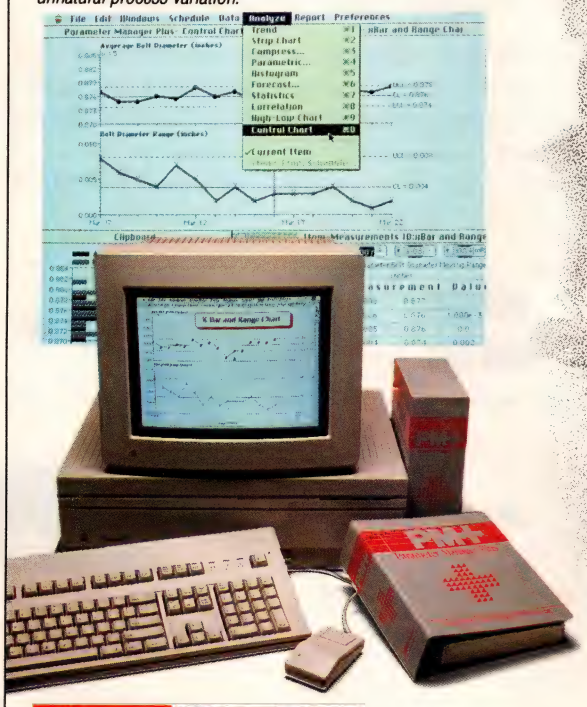

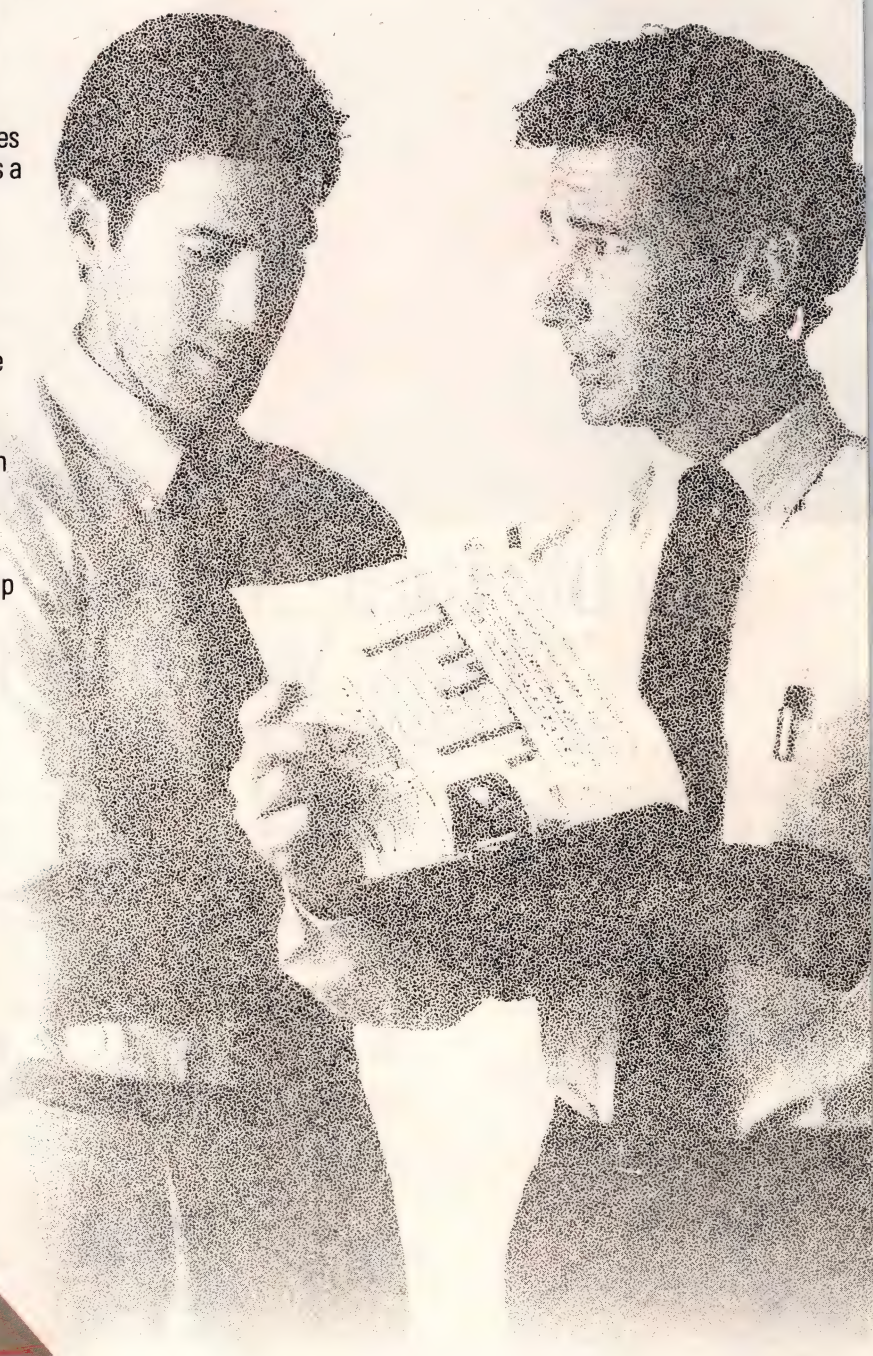

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80486

32-BIT CMOS

AVAILABILITY: 25- and 33-MHz versions now in production.
COST: In 1000 qty, $760 (25 MHz) and $1003 (33 MHz).
SECOND SOURCE: None.

Description: The i486 CPU comprises an enhanced 80386 CPU, an enhanced 80387 math coprocessor, an 82385 cache controller, an 8k-byte combined code and data cache, and a paging and memory-management unit. The i486 is binary compatible with 386/387 processor software but is 2 to 4× faster because of enhanced execution pipelining and higher integration. The i486 CPU adds several new instructions that support caches and multiprocessor operating systems. A byte-swap instruction allows the i486 CPU to read data in either big- or little-endian format. A burst bus allows the i486 to fill the on-chip cache with 16 bytes of data in five clock cycles.

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Status: 25-MHz version has been in production since late last year; the 33-MHz version went into production in May of this year. Many servers and multiprocessing systems—in addition to the expected traditional desktop personal computers—are based on the i486 CPU. The company expects to increase performance by offering the chip at higher operating frequencies.

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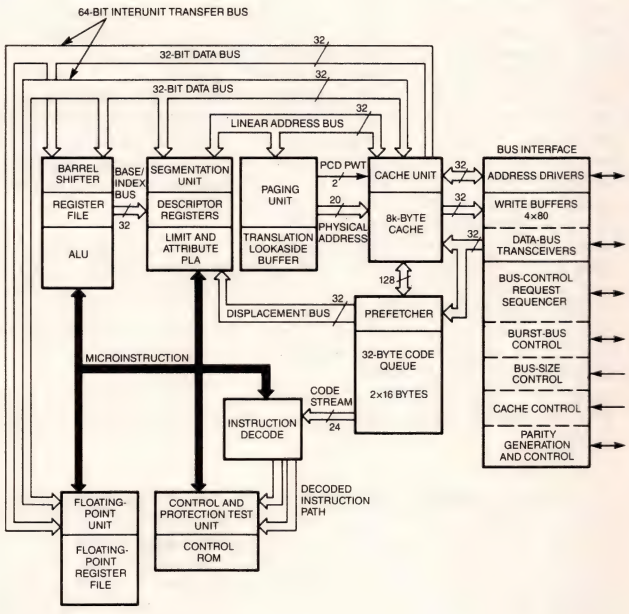

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
Byte swap for converting between little- and big-endian data. Compare and exchange instruction. Exchange and add instruction. Floating-point instruction set from 387 math coprocessor added to i486 CPU.
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
Information not provided by manufacturer.
III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Information not provided by manufacturer.
IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
Information not provided by manufacturer.
V—HLL AND OS INSTRUCTIONS
Instructions for flushing and invalidating the caches.

Specification summary: A standard 32-bit architecture containing the same register set as its predecessor, the 386DX CPU. The 486 adds a small cache and floating-point processor as well as the instructions and control bits to support these features. The part is fabricated using a 1-μm process and consumes less than 700 mA at 25 MHz. The μP is packaged in a 168-pin ceramic PGA.

Hardware notes:
1. 8k-byte unified instruction and data cache is located on chip. The cache lets the CPU read 16 bytes of code into the prefetch queue in one clock. A cache hit rate of better than 90%, for most applications, greatly reduces memory bus utilization for memory reads and improves system performance.
2. The Turbocache486 module ($299 for 64k-byte version and $399 for 128k-byte version at 33 MHz in 1000 qty; 25 MHz also available) is a complete second-level write-through cache controller and SRAM. The module contains the 82485 cache controller ($89 (25 MHz) and $99 (33 MHz) in 1000 qty). The module's look-aside design lets you add the module as an option much as the 387 was an option to 386 systems.
3. An on-chip MMU allows memory management identical to the 386DX CPU. The MMU allows segmentation, paging, or a combination of both for multiuser protection and for virtual memory.

HARDWARE — SUPPORT — SOFTWARE

ICE48633D In-circuit emulator ($49,000) supports the 486 μP to 33 MHz with real-time execution control over prototype 486-based systems. ICD48625D in-circuit debugger ($9500) is a hardware-assisted real-time debug monitor supporting 486 μP to 25 MHz. ICD48625D supports execution breakpoints, including cached breaks, control of 486 μP execution, and access to registers and system memory. A standard logic-analyzer interface supports cross triggering between ICD486 and a high-speed logic analyzer. The ICD48625D in-circuit debugger is hosted on DOS PC and PS/2 systems. Host software uses the common Intel windowed interface model with drop-down menus and source-code display.

From Intel: Intel's i486 assembler, compilers, system utilities, and software debuggers are intended for computer-system software development requiring access to the full native-mode architecture models of the 486 μP. ASM macroassembler ($600); RLL binder and system-software-builder utilities ($600); and C, Fortran, and PL/M compilers (each $900) support 486-family protected-mode software cross development by generating 486 instructions in code developed on DOS hosts. Language kits ($4500) including ASM, RLL, a compiler of choice, and the DB debugger are also available. VAX/VMS kit support including ASM, RLL, and a compiler of choice is available on MicroVAX ($14,000) and VAX ($18,000) systems for cross development.

CLIPPER

32-BIT CMOS

AVAILABILITY: Now for 25- and 33-MHz C200 chip sets and modules, the 211 CPU/FPU, 40- and 50-MHz C300 chipsets and modules, and the C311 CPU/FPU. The 40-MHz C4 will sample late this year.
COST: All 1000 qty: At 33 MHz, the C211 CPU/FPU costs $69, the C200 chip set costs $229, and the C200 module costs $424. At 40 MHz, the C311 costs $160, the C300 chip set costs $336, and the module costs $536. At 50 MHz, the C311 costs $191, the C300 chip set costs $495, and the C300 module costs $695.
SECOND SOURCE: Samsung Semiconductor.

Description: CMOS RISC-based μP has a dual-bus Harvard architecture. 3-chip set includes a CPU that incorporates a floating-point unit (FPU) and two cache/MMU chips: one for instructions and one for data. Available in first- and second-generation versions in modules, chip sets, and individual chips. The upcoming C4 is a superscalar implementation.

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Status: The company claims over 45,000 Clipper modules have been shipped through May 1990, giving Clipper a large, but narrow, installed base—Intergraph and DuPont account for more than 98% of sales.

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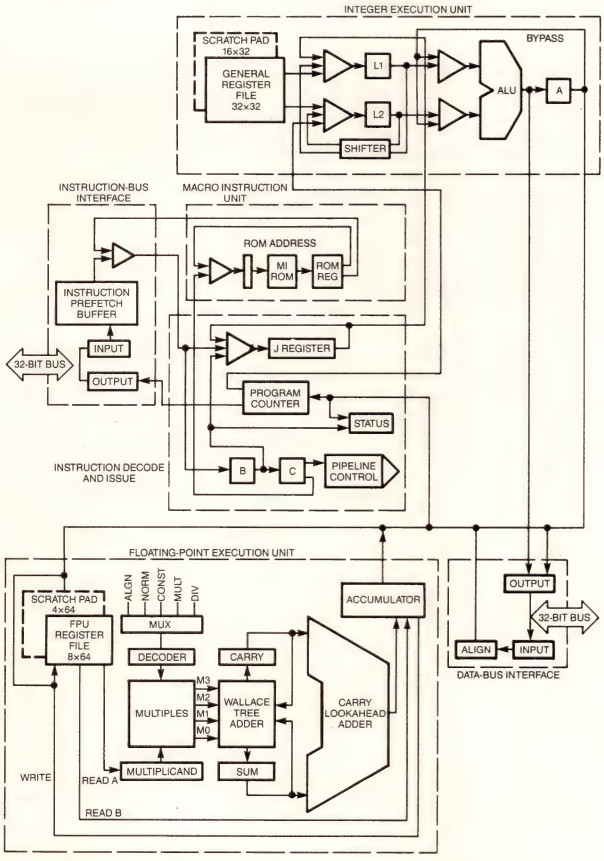

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
Add, subtract, multiply, divide (32-bit integer and 32- and 64-bit IEEE floating-point operations done in floating-point unit), floating-point converts, negate, compare, logicals, including AND, OR, EXCL OR, and NOT. 32- and 64-bit shifts and rotates, including floating point.
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
Architecture favors register-to-register operations and avoids operations on memory other than register-to-memory movements. Nine addressing modes, including absolute, relative (with and without displacements), relative indexed, and PC (program-counter) indexed. Despite streamlined instruction set, architecture provides efficient string moves because execution control is switched over to macrocode ROM.
III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Macrocode ROM is used for context-switching save and restore instructions that support entry and exit from interrupt and trap routines. Push, pop, supervisor, and user stacks (any register can be used as pointer).
IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
Two status words, a user-program status word, and a privileged system status word, which can only be written in supervisory mode.
V—SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS
Supervisory mode commands. Hardware supports 18 hardware traps and 128 supervisory calls. Software semaphores are supported for multitasking.

Specification summary: Modified RISC-type architecture in which the basic RISC instruction set is supplemented with boost from microinstruction ROM. The bus-bandwidth bottleneck is solved by having separate buses for instruction and data and putting a cache/MMU chip on each bus. Putting the caches on separate chips allows them to be large enough to generate hit rates greater than 90%. Partitioning also allows IEEE 64-bit floating-point operations to be incorporated on CPU chip so there is no off-chip delay. There is no need for CPU to have separate multiply-divide hardware because these operations can be done in the FPU. The chips are sold mounted with clock on a 3.5×4.5-in. multilayer-pc card with 96-pin DIN connector. C200 chips are also available separately.

Hardware notes:
1. The CPU chip has RISC-like ALU plus a CISC-like macroinstruction ROM and FPU. The other two chips are identical pin-programmable cache/MMU chips, so one can be used for instruction caching and the other for data caching. The instruction cache carries the CPU's instruction program counter. The 4096-byte capacity of each cache plus the sophisticated caching control (2-way set associative) gives the Clipper a hit ratio greater than 90%.
2. Each cache supports virtual memory via the on-chip MMU. The caches (especially the data cache) operate on a physical memory basis, so less flushing is needed. The C200 requires 135-nsec memory devices; the C300 requires 90-nsec memory devices.
3. CPU uses sophisticated pipelining with provision for bypassing.
4. C4 will be a 2-chip set (CPU and FPU) with a 64-bit instruction/data bus. C4 will be binary compatible with C300.

Software notes:
1. Clipper's 164 instructions are a balance between 1-cycle-RISC and multicycle-CISC commands. The RISC takes care of the simpler, most frequently used instructions. The CISC macrocode takes care of complex instructions such as floating/integer conversion, character-string manipulation, save and restore registers, and trap/interrupt entry and return sequences.
2. C200 and C300 instructions are compatible.

HARDWARE — SUPPORT — SOFTWARE

The Clipper Module card integrates the three Clipper chips into a functioning CPU. It provides the clock and program-counter wiring and a 96-pin DIN connector. User must provide the bus buffers externally. Intergraph supplies development systems that provide a 33-MHz Clipper CPU, 8M bytes of RAM, 156M bytes of hard-disk storage, and an Ethernet interface. Software includes Clix (which is based on Unix System V), a C compiler, a loader/debugger, and utilities.

A wide array of standards-based software is available from Intergraph, including Clix V.3.1 (based on Unix V.3.1) operating system; optimizing compilers for C, Fortran, and Pascal; RFS, NFS, and TCP/IP networking software; and X-windows windowing interface. More than 500 third-party packages are available, including compilers for Lisp, Ada, and other languages; tools and utilities; end-user application packages such as Word Perfect, Q-Calc, Q-Office+, Masterplan, and UniPlex II Plus; and the Ingres, Informix, and Oracle database programs.

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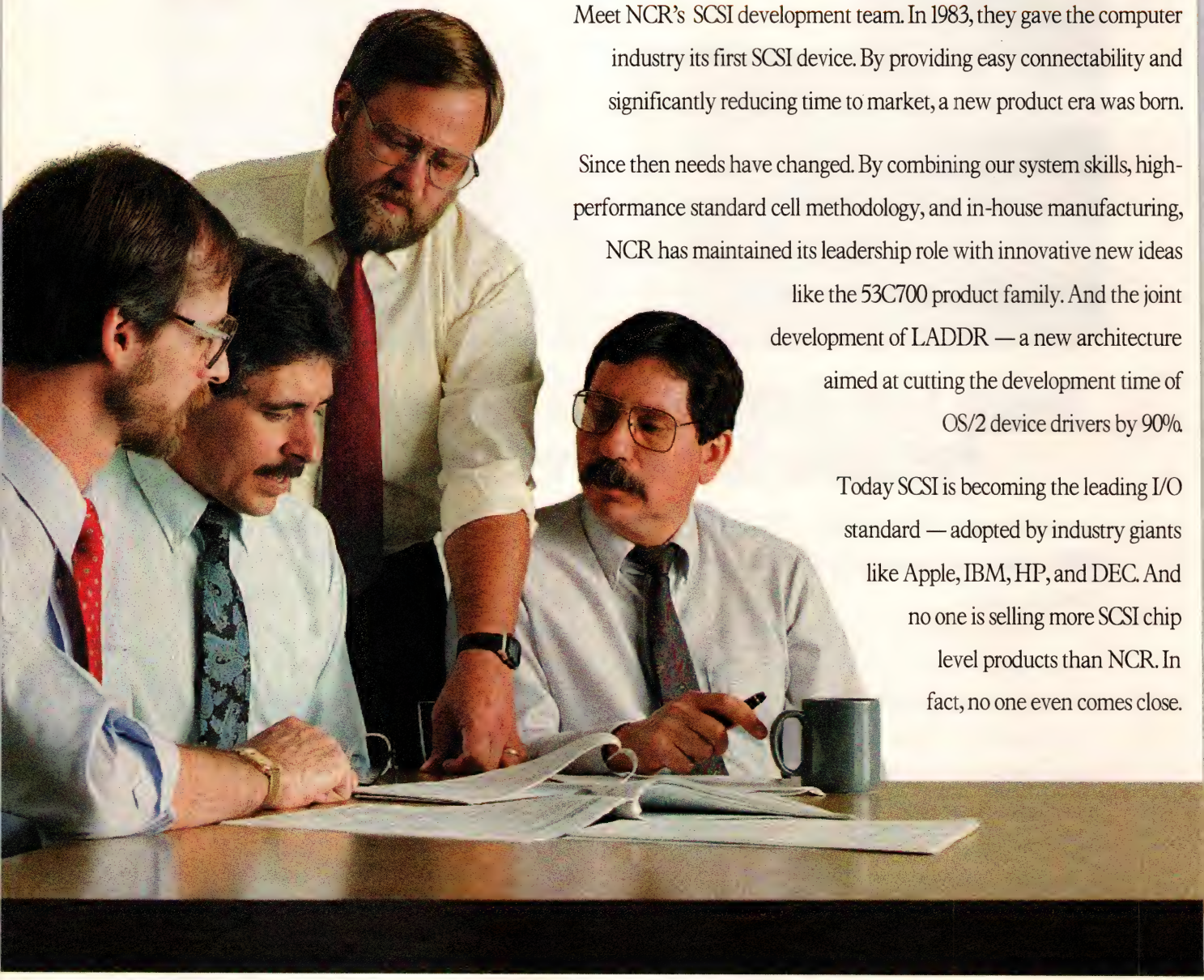

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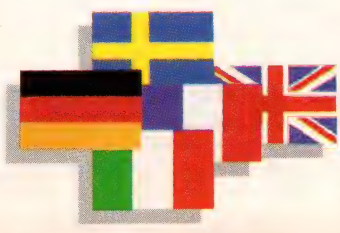

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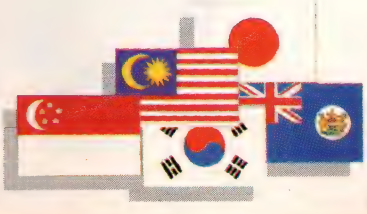

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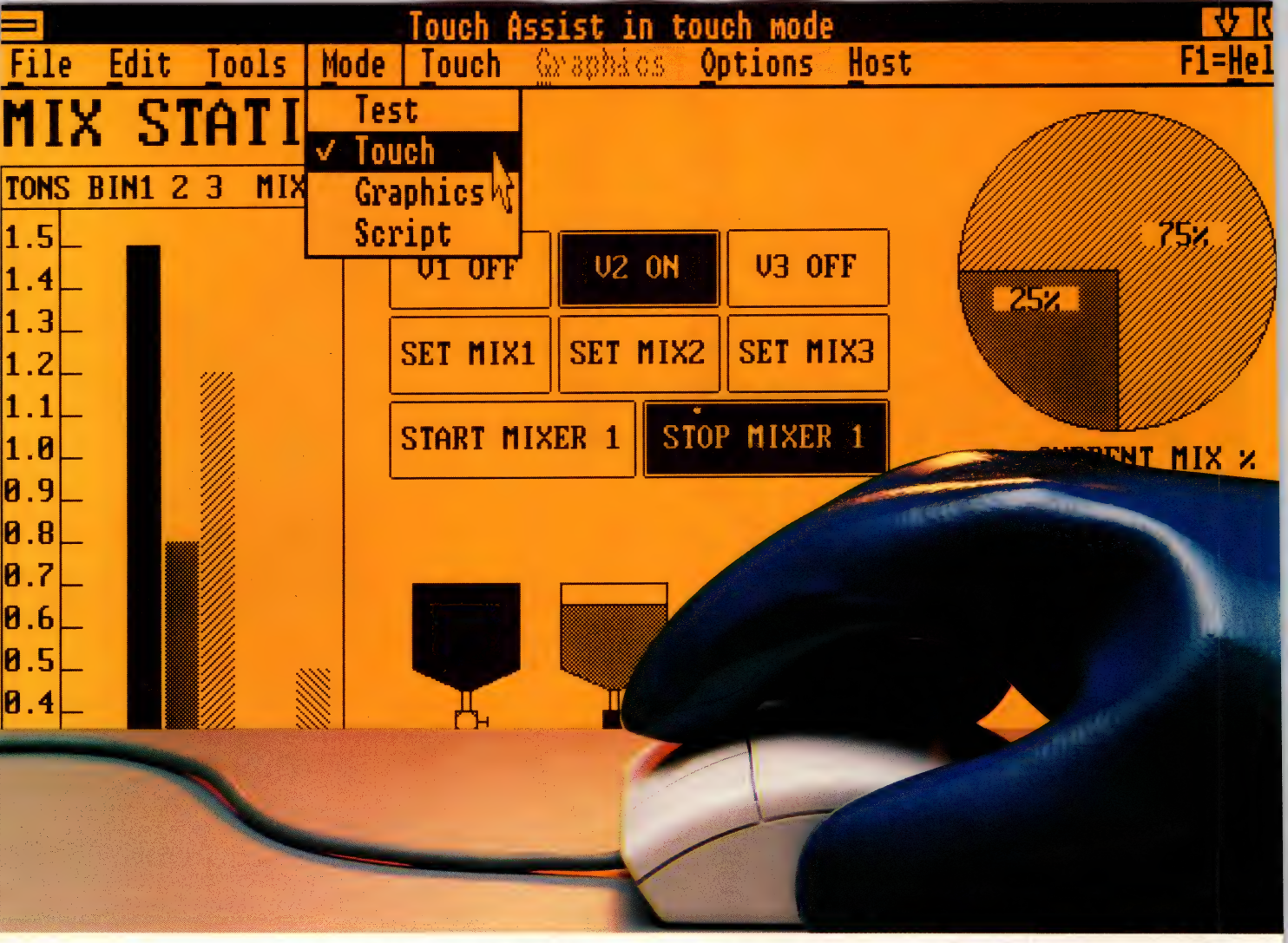

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AVAILABILITY: Delivery from stock.
COST: $150 (1000) for the 25-MHz part.
SECOND SOURCE: Zilog.
CORE: Zilog will use the Hyperstone μP as a 32-bit core in its library of μP cores.

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Description: Hyperstone combines features of both RISC and CISC architectures. Although most instructions are 16 bits wide, some are 32 or 48 bits wide. Almost all instructions execute in a single cycle. The vendor claims that Hyperstone program code will be more compact than many CISC-architecture programs. The microprocessor uses a combination of pipelined load instructions, an internal decode/execute pipeline of two stages, and a proprietary look-ahead instruction cache to achieve high performance. In addition, on-chip DRAM and bus control simplify the interface between the μP and memory and peripherals.

Status: The Hyperstone suits embedded-systems applications. Zilog recently announced its intention to use the Hyperstone in its library of μP cores. These cores form the base for microcontrollers for datacommunications, intelligent-peripheral-control, and disk-control applications.

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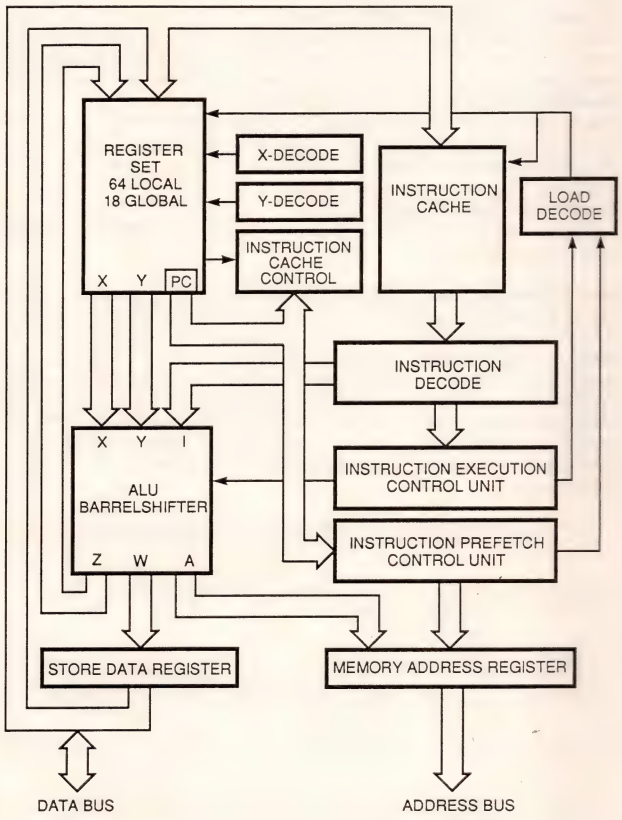

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
All instructions operate on 32- or 64-bit data. Most instructions are single cycle, but multiply and divide are multicycle. A barrel shifter provides left/right and signed/unsigned shifts. Two sets of arithmetic instructions are available: One set traps on overflow; the other only flags overflow. Logic instructions are AND, AND NOT, OR, XOR, and NOT. More powerful instructions include scaled index move, bound check, and scan leading zeros. IEEE-floating-point instructions execute by emulation.

II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
Pipelined load/store architecture. Data types are byte and halfword (both signed and unsigned), 32-bit words, and 64-bit double words. Hyperstone contains single- and double-word move instructions.

III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
One unconditional and 12 conditional branch instructions provide program-counter relative delayed/undelayed branches. The μP executes dynamic branches via move or add instructions to the program counter. A call instruction creates a new variable-length stack frame in the register stack. A frame instruction restructures the stack frame for parameter passing. A return instruction returns control and restores the old stack frame. The μP handles overflow or underflow automatically.

IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
One unconditional and 11 conditional trap instructions trap to supervisor state via a 64-entry table.

V—SYSTEM-LEVEL INSTRUCTIONS
Moves to special registers and setting the interrupt mask bit are only possible in supervisor mode.

Specification summary: The Hyperstone μP has a balanced set of instructions that make it useful as a universal processor. Since virtual memory is rarely used in embedded systems, Hyperstone doesn't include on-chip memory management. Demand paging via an off-chip memory-management unit is assisted.

Hardware notes:
1. The μP has separate 32-bit address and data buses. The μP's 64 local registers are arranged in a register stack that contains stack frames of variable length—2 to 16 registers. Overlapping stack frames (windows) allow parameter passing. Because of the code compaction of mostly 16-bit instructions, the 128-byte instruction cache achieves hit rates comparable to larger caches on other devices.
2. The μP contains all the logic to directly control DRAMs, SRAMs, ROMs, and other peripherals. The Hyperstone also performs parity generation and parity check.

HARDWARE — SUPPORT — SOFTWARE

In-circuit emulator via an add-on board to the IBM PC. Add-on boards to the IBM PC and evaluation boards via an RS-232C port.

Cross assembler/debugger on the IBM PC under MS-DOS. A C compiler is under development. Zilog is developing a behavioral model.

SPARC FAMILY

32-BIT CMOS

AVAILABILITY: See table.

COST: See table.

SECOND SOURCE: Fujitsu, Cypress, and BIT SPARC μPs are not hardware compatible. LSI Logic makes Fujitsu—and Cypress—compatible versions. All must run Sun Microsystems Inc (Mountain View, CA) SPARC software. Fujitsu, Cypress, LSI, Texas Instruments, and Philips/Signetics also provide SPARC embedded controllers.

CORE: Fujitsu has made a start in this direction with a gate array. LSI Logic will also offer RISC elements in its ASIC library.

Status: L64811 supersedes the L64801. At least three vendors have signed up to produce SPARCstation 1 compatibles. Currently, more than 2000 applications run on SPARC hardware and numerous Sbus plug-in cards are available. SPARC International (Sunnyvale, CA), a consortium of hardware and software vendors, creates and maintains open standards and multivendor compatibility of both SPARC-based machines and applications.

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Description: Sun Microsystems defined SPARC at instruction-set and programmer's model level and then entered into entirely separate joint agreements with silicon vendors with the intent of reaching 100-MIPS performance by 1990.

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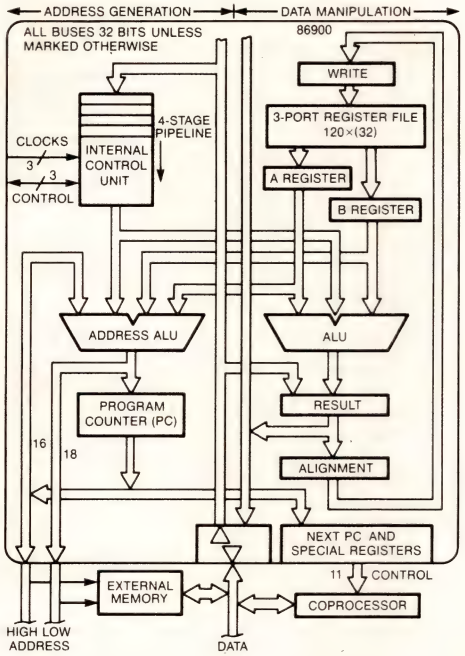

Hardware notes:

1. Diagram is for Fujitsu 86901. 86902—Fujitsu's embedded-control entry—is compatible with 86920 MMU and Weitek's 3170 floating-point unit. 86902 is missing 3 address-space-identifier lines and 3 of 4 hold inputs.
2. Cypress's SPARC embedded controller eliminates the user-defined coprocessor port and several control signals in addition to reducing the address bus to 24 bits and the address-space identifier to 3 bits.
3. LSI Logic's embedded SPARC comes without coprocessor ports.
4. Rather than redesigned parts, all embedded controllers are reduced-pin-count, crippled versions of existing parts.

Software note:

There are four stages (five in BIT μP) of pipelining. Optimizing compiler prevents pipeline breaks by inserting a delay instruction before branch instructions.

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
Add, subtract, multiply (step). Logicals and shifts.
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
Load and store to memory (in RISCs, only simple loads and stores used to external memory). Load and store to CPU registers. Load and store to floating-point registers. Load and store to coprocessor registers.
III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Call subroutine, branch conditional, save and restore, jump and link (128 hardware and 128 software traps, mostly user definable).
IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
Read and write processor state register.
V—SYSTEM-LEVEL INSTRUCTIONS
Instruction-cache flush. Can set up system and user modes and associated protection.

Specification summary: Follows RISC philosophy of single-cycle instruction execution (averages 1.3 to 1.7 clocks per instruction). Family has a large number of on-chip registers to hold data being processed for rapid access, which also permits the fixed-length instructions to carry the two source and one destination addresses needed for single-cycle operations (register file has 3-port structure). On-chip registers are partitioned into seven 24-register groups that are overlapped at edges so that CPU can pass parameters between them. There are also eight global registers. Can address 4G bytes of direct address space and 256 pages of 4G-byte indirect space.

Representative SPARC family microprocessors

Part number	Vendor	Function	Speed (MHz)	Available	Price
B5000	Bipolar Integrated Technologies	Integer unit	—	—	$850
CY7C601	Cypress	Integer unit	25, 33, 40	Now	$349 (100)
CY7C602	Cypress	Floating-point unit	25, 33, 40	Now	$489 (100)
CY7C604	Cypress	MMU and single-processor cache controller	25, 33, 40	Now	$491 (100)
CY7C605	Cypress	MMU and multi-processor cache controller	—	4Q Samples	Not yet set
CY7C611	Cypress	Embedded integer unit	25	Now	$76 (1000)
MB86901	Fujitsu	Integer unit	20 and 25	Now	$87 (1000)
MB86902	Fujitsu	Embedded integer unit	20 and 25	Now	$79 (1000)
L64801	LSI Logic	Fujitsu-compatible integer unit	25	Now	$148 (1000) PQFP
L64811	LSI Logic	Cypress-compatible integer unit	25 40	Now Dec '90	$160 (1000) $223 (1000)
L64901	LSI Logic	Embedded integer unit	20 and 25	Taking orders now	$86 (1000) 20-MHz PQFP
L64951	LSI Logic	System controller	10 and 25	Samples now	$79 (1000) 20-MHz PQFP
TMS390C602A	TI	FPU	40	Samples now	$315 (1000)

HARDWARE — SUPPORT — SOFTWARE

Sun workstations are adequate because Sun maintains software compatibility. Evaluation boards from Cypress and Fujitsu. Definicon and CAD/CAM International supply development boards. Call Cypress for company phone numbers. LSI Logic has a hardware-support program supplying a SPARCstation 1-compatible board with complete schematics, layouts, and films.

Vendors say they'll pass along Sun's optimizing compilers for C, Pascal, and Fortran as well as Sun's Unix operating system. Wind River Systems (Emeryville, CA) will provide a real-time operating system. A SPARC monitor is available from Bradley Forthware (Sunnyvale, CA).

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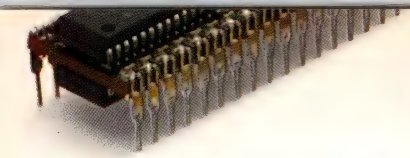

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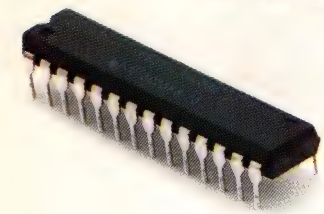

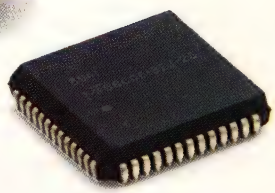

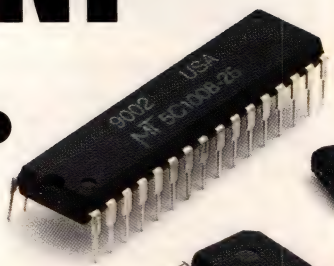

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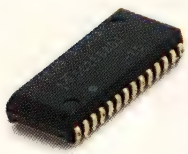

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				DIP	ZIP	SOJ	PLCC	TSOP	PQFP			
SRAMs	1MEG	x1,x4,x8	25-45	X		X				x4 option: OE	Now	2H90
	256K	x1,x4,x8	20-45	X	X	X				x4 option: OE	Now	X
	64K	x1,x4,x8	12-45	X		X				x4 options: Separate I/O, OE	Now	X
	16K	x1,x4,x8	12-45	X		X				x4 options: Separate I/O, OE	Now	X
Cache Data SRAMs	288K	x9	14-34				X			486 Compatible, Self-timed write, Fast toe 7ns, 486 Burst and extended burst support	Samp: 1H91, Prod: 2H91	
	144K	x18	20-35				X		X	386/486 Compatible, Fast toe 8ns, Auto write completion, Parity bits	Now	
	128K	x16	20-35				X		X	386 Compatible, Fast toe 8ns	Now	
Synchronous SRAMs	288K	x18	15-25				X			Registered address, chip enables and write control; Data latch, Fast toe 6ns, Byte write capability	Samp: 2H90, Prod: 1H91	Samp: 1H91
	256K	x16	15-25				X					
SRAMs with Address Latch	288K	x18	15-35				X			Address, data and chip enable latches; Byte write capability, Fast toe 6ns, 3.0 Volt output buffer option	Samp: 2H90, Prod: 1H91	Samp: 1H91
	256K	x16	15-35				X					
	16K	x8	100	X		X				Intel 8051 and 8096 compatible	Now	X
	16K	x8	15-35	X		X				Compatible with high end micro controllers	Now	X
FIFOs	18K	2Kx9	15-35	X			X			Family options: 300 mil DIP package, Programmable flags	Samp: 1H91	2H91
	9K	1Kx9	15-35	X			X				Samp: 1H91	2H91
	4.5K	512x9	15-35	X			X				Samp: 1H91	2H91
DRAMs	4MEG	x1,x4,x8,x16	60-100	X	X	X		X		x4,x8 options: Write per bit x16 options: 2 WE/1CAS; 1WE/2CAS and 1WE/1CAS with write per bit	x1,x4 Samp: Now, Prod: 1H91; x8,x16 Samp: 1H91	Samp: 1H91
	1MEG	x1,x4,x16	70-120	X	X	X		X		x16 options: Byte write or write per bit	Now	X
	256K	x1,x4	100-120	X	X	X	X				Now	X
	64K	x1	100-150	X			X				Now	X
Quad CAS DRAMs	4MEG	x4	60-100			X				Separate CAS control for each DQ input/ output, Enhanced write per bit capabilities	Samp: 1991	
	1MEG	x4	70-100			X					Now	
Pseudo Static DRAM	1MEG	x8	80-120	X		X		X		Unmultiplexed addresses, Simple refresh control	Samp: 2H90, Prod: 1H91	
Dual Port DRAMs (VRAMs)	1MEG	x4,x8	80-120		X	X				CMOS, Fully static SAM, Serial input, Split read transfer	Now	Samp: 1H91
	256K	x4	100-120	X	X					CMOS, Fully static SAM, Serial input	Now	X
Triple Port DRAMs	1MEG	x4,x8	80-120			X	X			CMOS, Two fully static SAMs, Transfer mask, Split transfers, Functional superset of 1MEG VRAM	Samp: Now, Prod: 2H90	

Module Product Family*	Word Size (Words)	Org. (Bits)	Speed (ns)	Package						Special Features	Availability	Military Qualified
				DIP	ZIP	SIP	SIMM					
DRAM Modules	2MEG,1MEG, 512K,256K	x36	70-120		X		X			Industry standard pin-out	256K, 512K: Now; 1MEG, 2MEG Samp: 2H90	
	4MEG,1MEG, 256K	x9	70-120			X	X			Industry standard pin-out	256K, 1MEG: Now; 4MEG Samp: 2H90	
	4MEG,1MEG, 256K	x8	70-120			X	X			Industry standard pin-out	256K, 1MEG: Now; 4MEG Samp: 2H90	
SRAM Modules	256K, 128K, 64K, 16K	x32	15-45		X					Industry standard pin-out with OE	16K, 64K: Now; 128K,256K: 2H90	1H91
	64K,32K	x16	30-45	X						Industry standard pin-out with OE	Now	1H91
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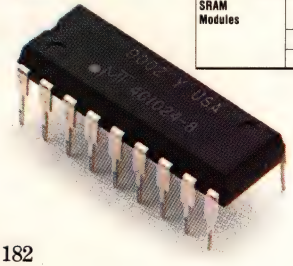

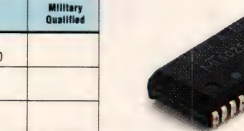

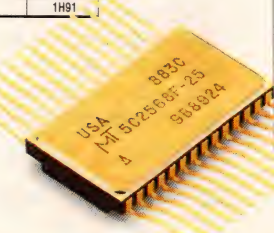

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R2000/R3000 FAMILY

32-BIT CMOS

AVAILABILITY: See table.
COST: See table
SECOND SOURCE: NEC.

Description: This RISC architecture was initially developed at Stanford University under the auspices of DARPA (Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency). The architecture supports as many as three tightly coupled processors.

Status: The R2000, R3000, and R3000A are multisourced, specification-compatible RISC μPs. Such workstation companies as Digital Equipment Corp, Silicon Graphics, Sony, and MIPS have selected the architecture as the one to build their RISC-based hardware on. The R3000 was selected by JIAWG (Joint Internal Avionics Working Group) as a standard for military avionics programs such as the Advanced Tactical Fighter.

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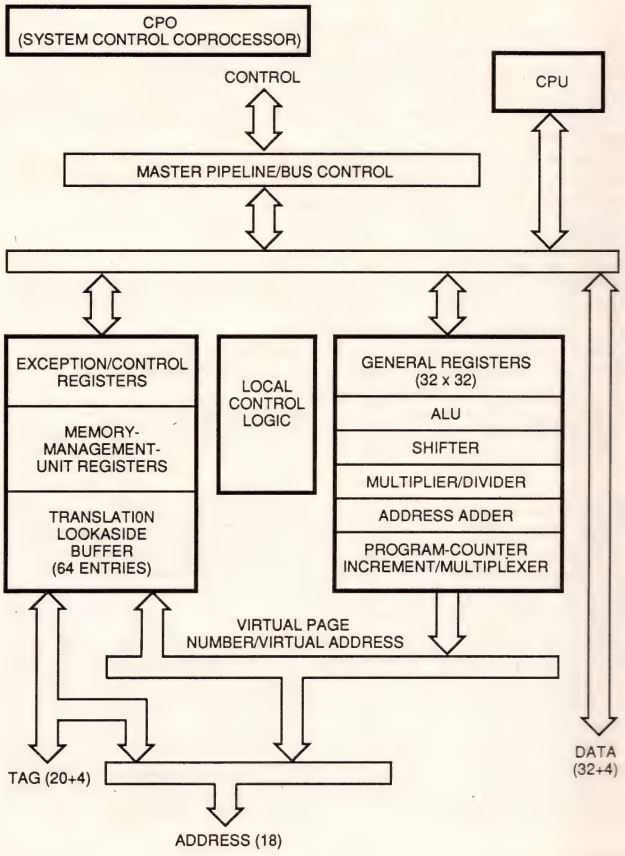

Hardware note:
Diagram reflects R3000 architecture.

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
Implements classic RISC load-store architecture where all data-manipulation operations occur on data in internal registers at the rate of one operation per cycle. Add, subtract, and logical operations, as well as multibit shifts, comparisons, and multiply and divide operations are in 3-operand format.

II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
External memory is only accessed for simple loads and stores. Load and store to CPU registers. Processor supports loading and storing of unaligned 32-bit data.

III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Processor contains a rich set of instructions for program manipulation and operating-system kernels. Has coprocessor interface to the MMU to support the virtual-memory system. The processor also contains instructions to manage program-control flow.

IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
Exceptions can be initiated by interrupt, memory-access faults, and the floating-point coprocessor and are tracked by in-system control registers.

V—SYSTEM-LEVEL INSTRUCTIONS
Bits in the status register let the processor modify the system interface in order to perform memory-system diagnostics.

Specification summary: The R2000/R3000 implements a 5-stage pipeline to achieve a low average-clocks-per-instruction rate. Rich instruction set, sophisticated compilers, and high-frequency operation help the R2000/R3000 family achieve high performance. The IDT 79R3000 features a full cache controller, including on-chip tag comparison and direct control of the cache RAMs. LSI Logic's LR2000/3000/3000A includes thirty-two 32-bit general-purpose registers, on-chip cache control, on-chip memory management, and coprocessor interfaces for as many as three external coprocessors.

Representative R2000/R3000 family microprocessors

Part number	Vendor	Speed (MHz)	Price
79R3000	Integrated Device Technology (IDT)	12.5–33	As low as $50
LR3001	IDT	12.5–33	As low as $50
LR2000	LSI Logic	12.5–16	$99 (100)
LR3000*	LSI Logic	16–25	$144 (100)
LR3000A	LSI Logic	To 33	$400 (100)
R2000	Siemens	12.5–16	$252 (100)
R2010	Siemens	12.6–16	$347 (100)
R3000	Siemens	20–25	$335 (100)
R3010A	Siemens	20–25	$447 (100)
R3051	IDT	20–40	$30 (10,000) General sampling in early 1991
R3052	IDT	20–40	$49 (10,000) General sampling in early 1991

*MIL versions available

HARDWARE — SUPPORT — SOFTWARE

MIPS Computer Systems offers several machines for system development. The architecture is supported by a variety of tools, including logic-analysis tools from Tektronix, Arium, and Gould. IDT offers a line of CPU subsystems. IDT and LSI Logic also offer a range of development systems.

LSI Logic and IDT provide C, Ada, Pascal, Fortran, Cobol, and PL/1 compilers for their CPUs. LSI also offers the System Programmers Package, an integrated toolkit for software and hardware development.
The operating system RISC/OS is a merged AT&T System V.3 and Berkeley BSD 4.3 Unix including TCP/IP and NFS networking software. It includes the MIPS optimizing compiler as well as the MIPS symbolic debugger.
Refer to the RISCware directory from Synthesis Software Solutions Inc for a complete list of third-party software vendors.

29000 FAMILY — 32-BIT CMOS

AVAILABILITY: Now for 29000 CPU and 29027 arithmetic accelerator.
COST: $88 for the 16-MHz 29000, $68 for the 16-MHz 29005, and $268 for the 16-MHz 29027 (1000). Parts are also available in 20- and 25-MHz grades.
SECOND SOURCE: Under negotiation.

Description: State-of-the-art implementation of RISC μP concepts with expected stress on obtaining as close to single-cycle operation as possible (even with branching) and an emphasis on keeping users' system costs down by bus timing, etc, which allows lower-cost external memories. Although their names are similar, the 2900 and 29300 building-block families are intended for user-defined (microcoded) complex instruction sets, whereas the 29000 μP family has a regular, fixed, and purposely simple instruction set; moreover, the instruction set is decoded by logic. Companion compilers are an essential part of family.

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Status: In the 2½ years since its introduction, the 29k has accumulated over 200 design wins, and 35 companies have announced 29k-based products. Areas of particular success for the RISC μP are high-end laser printers; X-terminals; graphics, including graphics controller boards, graphics accelerators, real-time image processing, and medical imaging; and network products, including protocol converters, network node controllers, FDDI networks, and ISDN-related systems.

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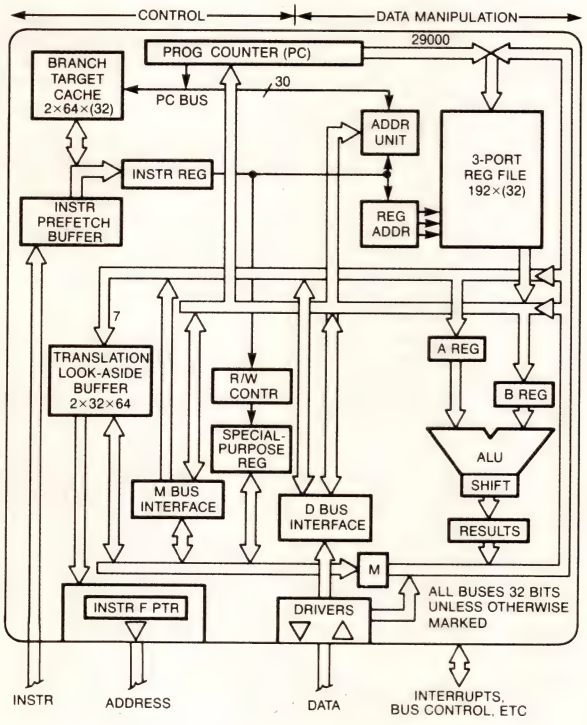

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
Add, subtract, multiply (step), divide (step).
Extract contiguous 32 bits from the 64-bit funnel shifter.
Logicals, compare, convert floating point (floating point is not currently implemented in hardware but companion 29027 floating-point chip is available).
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
Register-to-register moves.
Load and store to external memory and I/O.
Load and store multiple registers to/from external memory and I/O.
III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Jump, call subroutine, and returns.
Branches (with decisions based on Boolean data in general-purpose registers rather than ALU condition codes).
IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
Status register has usual bits to indicate ALU condition.
Exception handling for 64 reserved and 192 user-defined traps.
V—SYSTEM-LEVEL INSTRUCTIONS
Some of the 23 special-purpose registers are for system control. These registers are protected and can be set up via software (some also are affected by execution).

Specification summary: 32-bit CPU fashioned after RISC concepts; performs most frequently used, simple instructions in one cycle. Offered with companion compilers that take advantage of architectural simplicity and produce performance-optimized code. 29027 floating-point chip, in more CISC fashion, makes up for crudeness of math instructions (only partial multiplication and division instructions). Features that ensure uninterrupted flow in 29000's 4-stage execution pipeline are single-cycle branching with branch delays and a 512-byte branch-target cache. Main 192-register file has a 3-port configuration so instruction fields can specify sources for both operands and the destination for the result. 128 of the registers are addressed by a stack pointer that (in conjunction with the compiler) provides a type of caching that speeds procedure calling. External memory space is reached by 4G-byte virtual addressing with demand paging. An on-chip 64-entry MMU performs address translation in a single cycle and is flexible so users can choose memory strategy.

Hardware notes:
1. Burst-mode addressing allows use of lower-cost video RAMs to replace more-expensive, high-speed, static CMOS RAMs, with only moderate loss in performance (14 MIPS sustained vs 17 MIPS).
2. There is a coprocessor interface to companion 29027 floating-point chip. The 29027 uses combinatorial logic, so operations take only five 29000 cycles.

Software notes:
1. Total of 115 instructions. All are not yet implemented in hardware; those that aren't cause traps.
2. Multiply and divide on the 29000 only does one step. The full multiply and divide instruction causes a trap operation at which a compiler can insert a software routine.

HARDWARE — SUPPORT — SOFTWARE

The EB29k is a PC plug-in execution board with software-development tools.
From others: Embedded Performance Inc, Hewlett-Packard, and Step Engineering all provide real-time in-circuit emulators for the 29000 family. Logic Analyzer interface is available from Biomation or Hewlett-Packard. Various VMEbus board products based on the 29k are available from Ironics. Behavioral simulation models are available from Logic Automation and Mentor Graphics. Design-verification and test-generation models are available from Teradyne. A list of third-party support products appears in the biannual Fusion29K Catalog published by AMD.

AMD supplies the complete software tool chain. These tools include the ANSI standard HighC29k optimizing compiler with an assembler, linker, and ANSI standard libraries; floating-point-math libraries; and architectural and instruction-set simulators. The Xray29k source-level debugger is also available for the 29k. The Mon29k is a target debug monitor for system developers. All software support tools run on IBM PC/ATs and Sun-3 and Sun-4 workstations.
Other C compilers are available from Embedded Performance Inc, Metaware, Microtec, and Intermetrics. Pascal compilers are available from Metaware. The GNU tool chain, including the G++ and the debugger are available from Cygnus. Ada is available from Verdix Systems. Fortran is available from Yarc. Ready Systems, JMI, and Telenetworks provide real-time operating systems. A complete guide to third-party software products is published in the biannual AMD Fusion29k catalogue.

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88000

32-BIT CMOS

AVAILABILITY: Both the 88100 CPU and the 88200 cache/memory-management unit (CMMU) are available now in 16-, 20-, 25-, and 33-MHz versions.
COST: The 88100 costs $168; the 88200 costs $198 (100).
SECOND SOURCE: None.
CORE: Motorola's architecture can incorporate as many as six special-function units into the 88100 chip.

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Description: The 88000 RISC family encompasses the 88100—the CPU—and the 88200—the memory-management unit. The 88100 chip supplies full 32-bit registers, data paths, and addresses. Most instructions, including standard IEEE-P754 floating-point math operations, execute in one cycle or are put in a concurrent execution pipeline in one cycle. The corresponding 88200 cache/memory-management unit supports a demand-paged virtual-memory environment. The chip controls two 4G-byte logical address spaces—one for the user and one for the supervisor. The chip's architecture supports multiprocessor operations.

Status: The 88000 μP family is designed into such applications as PC add-in cards, disk controls, imaging systems, and real-time controllers. An independent group of manufacturers has founded the 88open Consortium Ltd (San Jose, CA) to support and promote the μP family. The consortium develops standards such as the Binary Compatibility Specification, which allows applications written for the 88000 to execute on all 88000 hardware.

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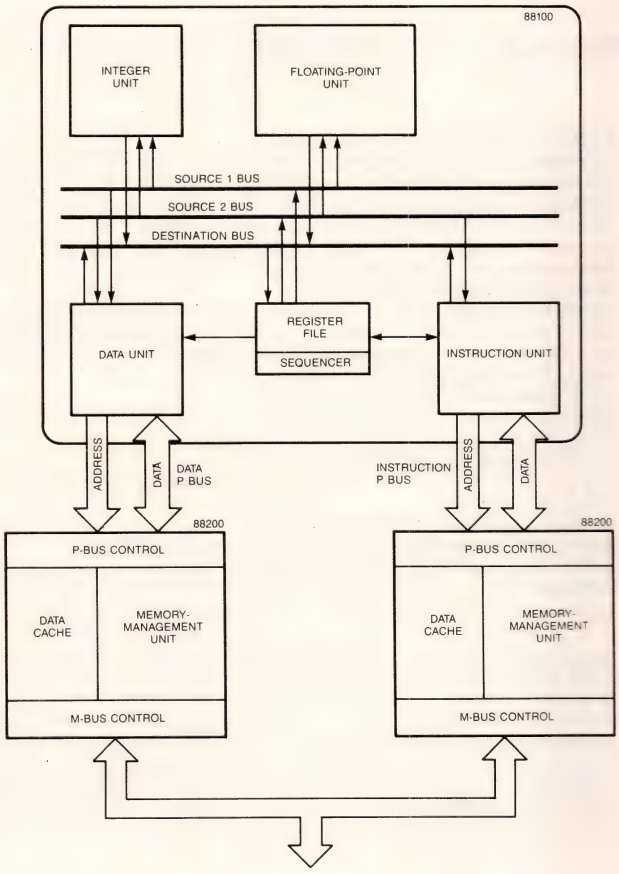

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
Integer-math instructions include add, subtract, divide, multiply, and compare. There are equivalent floating-point instructions as well as integer-float conversion, store, exchange, round, and truncate instructions. The instructions also provide logical and bit-field operations.
II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
The basic data-movement instructions let the CPU load registers, addresses, and the control register's contents. The CPU can also store information and exchange the contents of registers and memory. The instruction set includes operations that move data within the floating-point unit.
III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
These instructions include conditional and unconditional branch, jump, and subroutine-call commands. The 88100 also provides trap instructions that check bit locations, memory boundaries, and interrupt conditions.
IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
The 88100 can process exceptions—those conditions that cause the processor to stop its operation and locate a potential problem. Exceptions include interrupts, memory-access faults, math errors such as divide by zero, and trap instructions.

Specification summary: The 88100 provides register-to-register operations for all data-manipulation instructions. Separate source and destination registers are available. The CPU supports register-to-register and register-plus-immediate-value address modes. Because address calculations are quick, memory-access operations are speedy, in keeping with the RISC philosophy. The CPU employs delayed branching, which reduces pipeline delays caused by a change in program flow. The 88200 incorporates 16k bytes of cache memory as well as cache-control logic, memory-management logic, and bus-control circuits. Multiple CMMUs can operate in parallel. Both the 88100 and 88200 come packaged in 180-pin PGA packages. The chips operate over the 0 to 70°C temperature range.

Hardware notes:
1. Architecture shown is for the 88100. The CMMUs are shown in block-diagram form.
2. The P bus supplies the interface between the 88100 and either local memory or an 88200 CMMU. The synchronous P bus operates at the same clock rate as the 88100. Peak data rate is 80M bytes/sec.
3. The 88100 includes 32 general-purpose registers.

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From Motorola: The company has announced a variety of VMEbus-based boards and systems.
From others: Add-in boards are available for the IBM PC/AT from Opus (Cupertino, CA), for the IBM PS/2 from Prometa (Gainesville, FL), for the Apple Macintosh from Tektronics (Beaverton, OR), for the VMEbus from Force (Campbell, CA) and Tadpole (Cambridge, UK), and for the VAX from Avalon (Santa Barbara, CA)

From Motorola: 88000 systems run Motorola's BCS/OCS Unix System V, Release 3 as well as System V, Release 4, both of which are supported by optimizing C and Fortran compilers and associated development tools for complete software development.
From others: A variety of compilers and applications are available for the 88000. See the 88open software catalog.

80960

32-BIT CMOS

AVAILABILITY: Now for 10-, 16-, 20-, and 25-MHz 80960KA and KB in PGAs; 16- and 20-MHz plastic quad flatpack (PQFP); 16-, 20-, and 25-MHz 80960MC in PGAs and QFPs; 16-, 25-, and 33-MHz 80960CA in PGA; and 16- and 25-MHz 80960CA in PQFP.

COST: Prices depend upon speed, package, and temperature range. In 1000s, prices range from $27 to $56 for the 80960KA, $35 to $73 for the 80960KB, $920 to $1058 for the 80960MC, and $81 to $122 for the 80960CA.

SECOND SOURCE: Internally sourced from three different Intel facilities.

Description: The 80960 is Intel's 32-bit family of μP chips that has been designed specifically for embedded-control applications. There are four upwardly compatible versions of the RISC-based architecture. The family includes the basic 80960KA core version, which provides 6 to 12 VAX MIPS (depending on frequency); the 80960KB, which includes an on-chip floating-point unit; the 80960MC, which comes with on-chip memory-management/protection and multiprocessor support; and the 80960CA, which features a software-configurable pipelined bus, 1.5k bytes of on-chip data RAM, a 1k-byte, 2-way set-associative instruction cache and a 4-channel chaining DMA processor.

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Status: Since the 80960 family's introduction, the family has enjoyed widespread acceptance in a broad spectrum of commercial and military designs. The 80960 family played a role in legitimizing the 32-bit embedded-control market. Intel's approach is family oriented; not only is there a wide range of 32-bit CPU chips at different price/performance levels, but there are also 80960-specific support components such as the 27960 burst EPROM and 85C960 bus control component. Intel claims the total kit approach exists to serve embedded-control customers with an easy-to-design-with set of CPU and peripheral parts.

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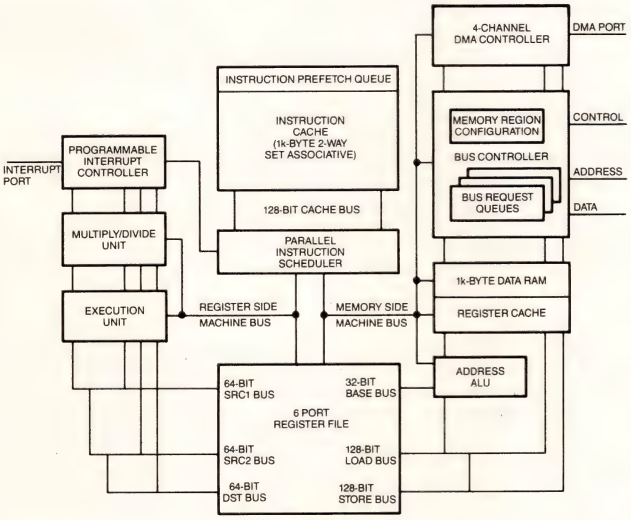


Hardware notes:
1. The 80960 provides only one data bus for instructions and data. The bus multiplexes address and data information.
2. The basic 80960 chip includes 16 32-bit global registers and 16 32-bit local registers. The stack requires one global and three local registers for housekeeping operations.
3. The floating-point unit (80960KB) also includes four 80-bit registers, but can use any register.

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
Bit operations, unsigned and signed byte, unsigned and signed half-word (16-bit quantity), unsigned and signed word operation. All CPUs have hardware multiply/divide unit. Extended arithmetic support allows math operations on operands larger than one word. Floating-point operations on single-, double-, and extended-precision operations are supported in hardware on the -KB and -MC versions.

II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
Bytes, half words, words, double words, triple words, and quad words can be moved to and from memory. Memory operations are supported by a full complement of addressing modes, including IP relative. All CPUs support unaligned memory operations.

III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Both Berkeley and Stanford forms of subroutine call, return; several types of branch instructions. Full set of conditional tests.

IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
Process control word and arithmetic controls can be modified under program control.

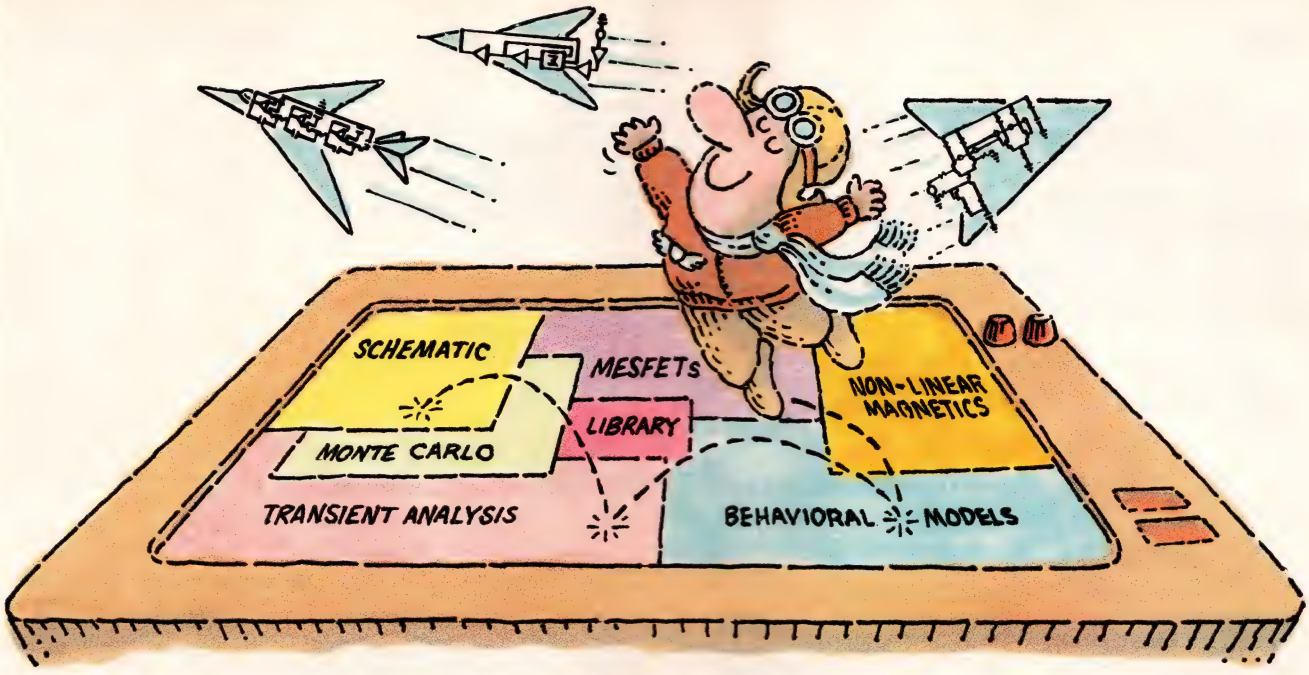
V—SYSTEM-LEVEL INSTRUCTIONS
Seven different types of trace controls. Hardware and software breakpoints. 80960CA has operations to program DMA channels and control hardware features such as locking the cache. 80960MC has operations to directly support shared-memory multiprocessing.

Specification summary: The 80960KA has a 512-byte instruction cache, a 256-byte register cache, and a 4-input interrupt controller. The 80960KB is socket compatible with the 80960KA but features an on-chip IEEE-P754-compatible floating-point unit. The 80960MC adds an MMU and multiprocessing support to the features of the -KB. The 80960CA allows multiple-instruction-per-clock execution and offers a 4-clock-cycle 32-bit multiplier, 8 interrupt inputs, a 1k-byte lockable instruction cache, 1.5k bytes of on-chip RAM, a register cache configurable to 15 levels, 4 DMA channels, and a software-configurable bus.

HARDWARE — SUPPORT — SOFTWARE

From Intel: The EVQT960E ($960) with 256k bytes of 2-wait-state memory and the EVQT960F ($1960) with 256k bytes of zero-wait-state memory are serially hosted evaluation and prototyping boards for the 80960KA/KB. The EVA960KB board ($4500) is an IBM PC/AT-compatible board with onboard debug monitor and as much as 4M bytes of dynamic RAM. The EXV960MC board ($9000) is a 25-MHz Multibus I development board for military and Ada applications. The EV960CA ($3500) is an evaluation board for the 80960CA. The ICE960KB in-circuit emulator ($16,495) is available for the 80960KA/KB.
The 85C960 is a bus-control chip for the KA/KB; the 27960CX/KX are high-speed burst EPROMs for the 80960KA/KB/CA; the 27C202 is a high-speed, 16-bit-wide EPROM for the 80960KA/KB/CA. The 82380 is a multifunction peripheral with timer-counters, 8 channels of DMA, and 15 interrupt inputs that can interface to the 80960KA/KB/MC. The M82965 is a bus-interface component that provides multiprocessing and fault-tolerance support for the 80960MC.
From others: 80960CA Multibus II boards are available from Micro Industries. 80960CA VME boards are available from Heurikon ($3995) and Tadpole. Fluke provides logic-analyzer support.

From Intel: ASM960 ($900 for the IBM PC/AT) includes an assembler and linker for the 80960 family. iC960 ($700 for the IBM PC/AT) is a full ANSI C compiler for the 80960 family. Gen960 builds memory images for the 80960KA/KB/MC/CA. Hosts include the IBM PC/AT, Sun-3, VAX/VMS VAX/Ultrix and HP9000. Ada960 (from $28,000) is available for VAX/VMS. RMK960 ($1500) is a real-time kernel for 80960KA/KB. SIM960CA ($750, IBM PC/AT) is a software simulator for the 80960CA. DB960 ($2500) is a C source-level debugger hosted on a IBM PC/AT for the 80960KA/KB/CA.
From others: Wind River Vxworks provides a full-featured operating environment that includes file-system support and TCP/IP networking. Ready Systems VRTX32 provides a deterministic real-time kernel for the 80960 family. Microtec Research provides a complete 80960 tool chain—C compiler through XRay debugger. QTC provides an instruction scheduler/optimizer for the 80960CA. The Solutions960 catalog from Intel describes additional 80960 tools and applications.



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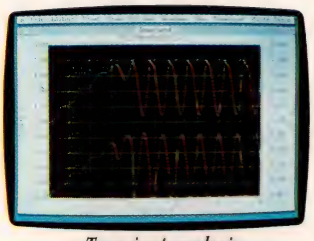

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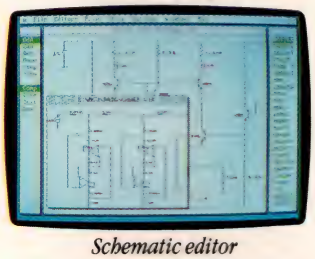

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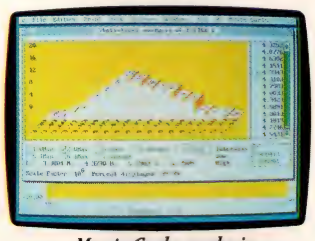

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i860

64/32-BIT CMOS

AVAILABILITY: The 33- and 40-MHz versions are available now.
COST: The 33-MHz i860 costs $750 (1000).
SECOND SOURCE: None.

Description: The i860 CPU is a 64-bit μP designed to provide balanced performance across integer, floating-point, and 3-D graphics operations. The μP incorporates a RISC integer unit, a floating-point adder, a floating-point multiplier, an 8k-byte data cache, a 4k-byte instruction cache, paging functions, an MMU, and a 3-D graphics unit. The i860 runs Unix but is not designed to run 386 software.

Status: The i860 has amassed more than 50 design wins to date in supercomputer, minicomputer, 3-D graphics workstation, and application accelerator designs. Multiprocessor version of Unix/System V rel 4.0 is available.

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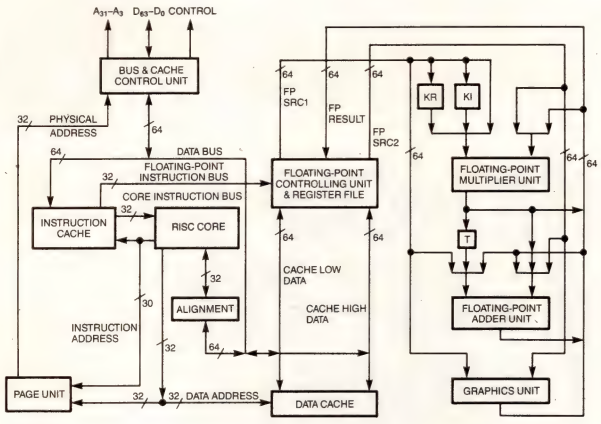

I—DATA-MANIPULATION INSTRUCTIONS
Integer arithmetic, logicals, and shifts. Integer multiply. IEEE-754 floating-point add, subtract, multiply. Single and double precision, and conversions between. Reciprocal and square-root seed instructions. Special "dual operation" floating point allows two operations per clock. Graphics instructions for pixel interpolation and Z-buffer check.

II—DATA-MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS
16-, 8-, and 4-byte floating-point loads and stores, with variable strides and autoincrement. 4-, 2-, and 1-byte integer loads and stores. Transfers between integer and floating-point registers. Special load instruction assists data caches. Pixel-store operation of 8 bytes.

III—PROGRAM-MANIPULATION INSTR
Unconditional and conditional branches, both delayed and nondelayed forms. Single-cycle loop-control operation. Indirect call and indirect branch. Dual-instruction mode allows execution of two instructions per clock.

IV—PROGRAM-STATUS-MANIP INSTR
Data-breakpoint register for breakpoint debugging. Big-endian mode bit switches between access modes. Cache-control bits for cache locking and testing.

V—SYSTEM-LEVEL INSTRUCTION
Lock/unlock instructions for semaphores. Flush instruction for write-back data cache. Single-cycle translation look-aside buffer and instruction cache invalidate.

Specification summary: Information not provided by manufacturer.

HARDWARE — SUPPORT — SOFTWARE

From Intel: Information not provided by manufacturer.

From Intel: Fortran and C compilers.
From Others: Industrial Programming (Jericho, NY) offers a real-time kernel, Metaware (Santa Cruz, CA) offers three varieties of High C. Green Hills (Glendale, CA) sells Fortran and C compilers, DDC-I sells an Ada compiler, and Micro Focus (Palo Alto, CA) sells a Cobol compiler for the i860.

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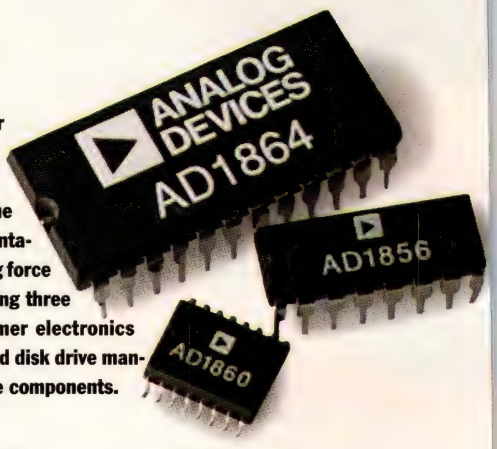

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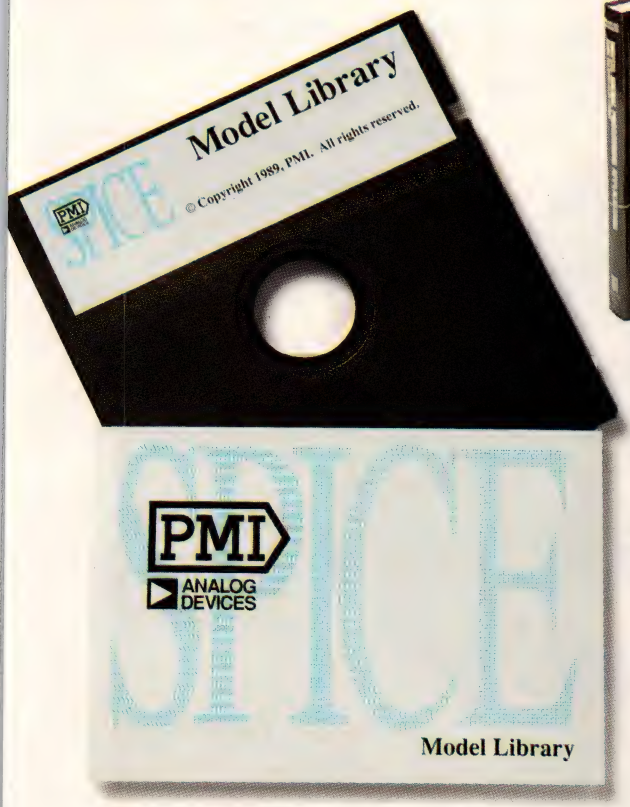

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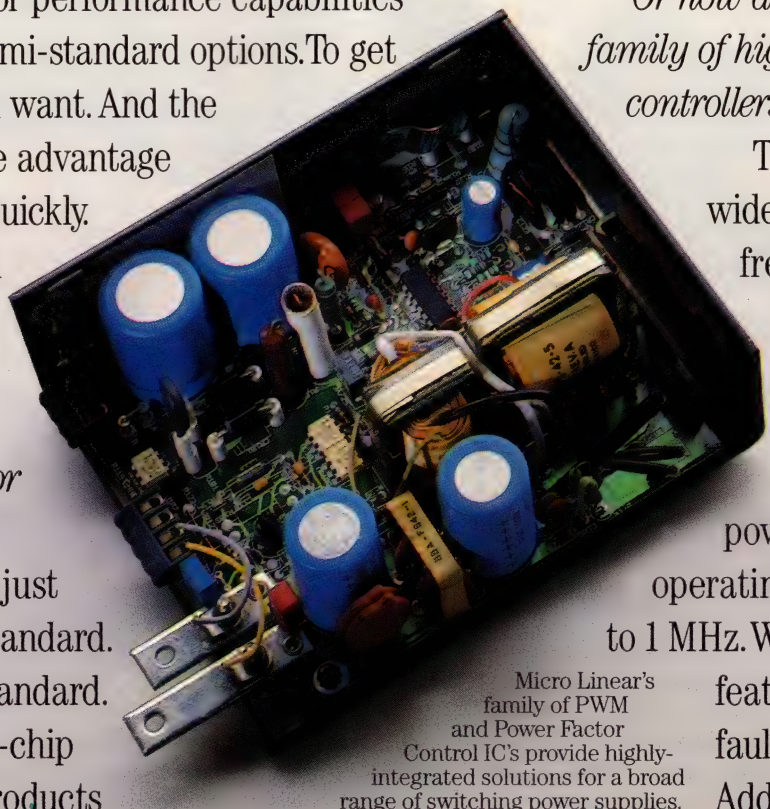

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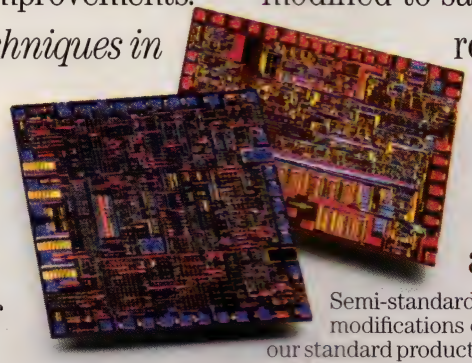

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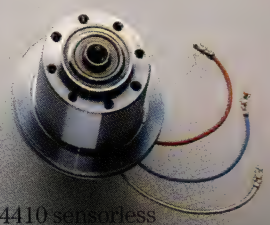

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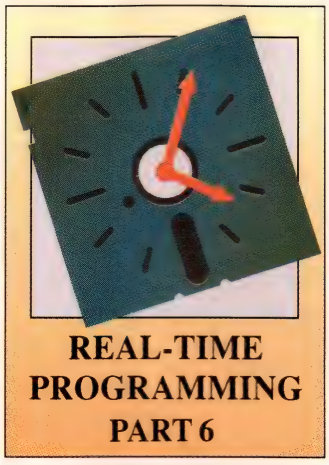

REAL-TIME PROGRAMMING PART 6

Time and time of day

Real-time applications are concerned with physically real processes that proceed in terms of real-world clocks. Thus, such applications must be able to link up with real-world time, as opposed to CPU or other internal computer time. Part 6 of this series discusses the two aspects of time that are involved: interval and time of day.

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Suppose you must send a stepping pulse to an electromechanical device. Such devices are very slow compared with computer operations; for the pulse to be effective, it must be on for at least, say, 50 msec. The requirements are thus

```
turn pulse on
pause 50 ms
turn pulse off
```

Suppose further that the stepping pulse toggles the AM/PM lamp on a display panel. The preceding sequence must be performed at noon and again at midnight. This requires not only the ability to generate a 50-msec interval but also the ability to place that interval at an exact time of day.

```
while displaying time
  {
     wait until 12 AM (noon)
     turn pulse on
     pause 50 ms
     turn pulse off


     wait until 12 PM (midnight)
     turn pulse on
     pause 50 ms
     turn pulse off
  }
```

Pause for a given interval

A pause request efficiently delays task processing for a specified interval. During the pause, the CPU is automatically available for other work. In C, a typical request is

```
pause (MS+25);
```

In *pause*, as in all other requests that require an interval specification, the interval consists of two parts. The first chooses the time units, **MS** in the example.

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Pause can be an effective means to block a task until it receives a "go-ahead" command from some other task.

The include file MTOSUX.H defines the possible time units as

msec	MS
ten msec	TMS
hundred msec	HMS
seconds	SEC
minutes	MIN
hours	HRS
days	DAY

To one of these is added the number of such units, 1 to 255. Thus, the range for intervals is 1 msec to 255 days.

When the interval is 0, there is no limit to the wait; the pause could last forever. As you will see, however, a pause can be canceled by another task. Thus, *pause* (0L) really means "pause until canceled." The literal **NOEND** should be used instead of 0L to make this case explicit.

For success, the pause function returns **NOERR** when the specified interval ran to completion or **TIMCAN** when the pause was canceled (by *canpau*). The failure values are **BADPRM** when an illegal interval is given or **QUEFUL** when the service could not be rendered for lack of internal resources.

Some further examples of the pause function are

```
status = pause (250+MS);        /*pause for 250 msec*/
status = pause (SEC+1);         /*pause for 1 sec*/
status = pause (NOEND);         /*pause until canceled*/
```

The real-time clock

The OS maintains a tally of the number of milliseconds since the system was started to support time-dependent services, such as pause and terminate-with-future-restart. The physical source of this time base is a clock chip that generates an interrupt periodically. The clock period is installation dependent, with 5 to 20 msec as the normal range. Fractional periods, such as 16⅔ msec (60 Hz) or 1024 interrupts in 1000 msec, can be easily accommodated. A real-time clock interrupt is often called a "tick" as a reminder of its mechanical counterpart.

The period sets the "granularity" of the time base. (In reality, the OS is counting clock ticks, but keeping the tally in terms of milliseconds.) Thus, with a period of 5 msec, the tally remains constant for 5 msec and then increases by 5. As a result, although a service request will accept an interval of, say, 3 msec, it could take as long as 5 msec to recognize that the time has elapsed.

Pause for a specified interval of time is a fundamental facility that is provided by all real-time operating systems. Alternate names are *delay* and *sleep*.

Alternate representations of time interval

The representation of time interval by the 2-element structure

```
unit code;
number of units;
```

is not unique to MTOS-UX. The proposed MOSI standard also specifies intervals in this way, but with a different set of unit codes (**Ref 1**).

```
implementation-dependent ticks
microseconds
milliseconds
seconds
minutes
hours
```

In Ada (a language designed for real-time applications), intervals are measured in units of seconds, with a precision that is implementation dependent. Thus, a 25-msec pause is

```
delay 0.025;
```

Some operating systems always measure interval in clock ticks; they do not offer any absolute time units. However, most physical events are known inherently in terms of real-world clock units, not arbitrary clock ticks. Thus, if you were to use clock ticks and (as could easily happen) the tick time had to be changed, all intervals in all tasks would have to be recomputed. Since there is a danger of missing some intervals, modern practice is to hide the tick time within the OS and have the tasks work with absolute time units.

Pause for minimum time interval

In some real-time applications, there is a task that must run on every clock tick. Often that task has the job of sampling input data for changes. A common structure for such a task is as an initialization section (which is entered just once) followed by a cyclic section.

The cyclic section ends with a pause for a minimum interval and a branch back to itself.

```
samptsk ()
  {
    ...                    /*initialization section, if needed*/
    while (1)
      {
        ...                /*cyclic section*/
        pause (NXTICK);
      }
  }
```

The literal **NXTICK** produces **MS**+1. Because of the granularity of the real-time clock, a 1-msec pause is always canceled at the next clock tick (for any value of the clock period). The value **MS**+0 does not work, however, since for an interval of zero there is no pause at all.

Note that samptst could have been composed with *trmrst* instead of *pause*, as was done in task **PdSA** in Part 4 of this series (EDN, October 25, 1990, pg 193). (A "first-time flag" would be needed to skip the initialization section after the first entry.) However, the overhead for pausing is always less than that for terminating and restarting a task so that *pause* is preferable in this special case. In general, if the cycle time of the task is greater than every clock tick and the cycle time must be added to the last start time of the task, the cycle must be maintained by *trmrst* rather than *pause*.

Synchronization for exact time intervals

It is sometimes necessary to separate two events, such as the generation of a pair of outputs, **A** and **B**, by a given interval, say, 250 msec. A straightforward approach would be output **A**, *pause*(250+MS), output **B**. However, because of the granularity of the clock, the pause interval is usually shorter than expected. (On average, half the current clock period is already over when a pause is issued. Thus, the average pause is half a clock period too short.)

When accurate intervals are required, it is best first to synchronize to the start of a clock period by issuing a pause for 1 msec. The sequence would then become *pause*(NXTICK), output **A**, *pause*(250+MS), output **B**.

When a pause ends, the task becomes ready to run, but the actual resumption of task execution may be further delayed if there are Ready tasks of higher priority. Consequently, if a task needs an exact interval, it also needs a very high priority.

Cancel pause

The primary purpose of *pause* is to block the requesting task for a given interval. Nevertheless, *pause* can also be an effective means to block a task until it receives a "go-ahead" command from some other task. The go-ahead is achieved by canceling the pause via a new service, *canpau*. Thus, the scenario for this mode of task-to-task coordination is

task T	task C
pause (NOEND)	...
[task blocked]	< monitor application to decide when to continue T >
[task blocked]	**canpau** (tskTid)
[both tasks continue independently]	[both tasks continue independently]

The argument of *canpau* is the identifier of a particular task. Thus, the coordination provided by pause/

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Certain tasks must be synchronized with the clock portion of the TOD (time-of-day) clock/calendar string.

cancel pause is always directed toward one specific target task. More general methods to coordinate with any number of tasks or with a task whose identity is not necessarily known will be given in later parts of this series.

By stipulating a finite interval for the pause, you can ensure a limit to the wait in case the expected event that the monitor task is seeking never occurs. Task **T** can use the value returned by *pause* to determine whether **C** canceled the pause (value **TIMCAN**) or the maximum wait time was reached (value **NOERR**).

```
if (pause (250 + MS) == TIMCAN)
   {  /*task continued via cancel pause for coordination*/
     ...
   }
else
   {  /*task continued at end of maximum wait limit*/
     ...
   }
```

The argument of *canpau* must be the identifier of an existing task. If not, the function returns a failure value **BADPRM**. Of course there is no guarantee that the target task is actually paused when the cancel is issued. To provide this information, *canpau* returns **NOERR** when the specified task was paused and **NOTOUT** when the task was not paused.

Time of day clock/calendar

Many applications must be aware of the real-world time and date. (The term "wall time" is often used to refer to real-world time.) Time and date may be needed as tags on console messages or may be the key for storing data. Wall time may also be a factor in deciding what processing to do or how to do it. For example, a traffic-control program may switch algorithms or parameters as predetermined periods of peak demand approach.

An OS must maintain clock and calendar information in either binary or ASCII-encoded form. For MTOS-UX, the information is kept as a time-of-day (TOD) clock/calendar string of the form

DD MMM YYYY HH:MM:SS\0

where	DD	= day in month, starting at 01
	MMM	= abbreviated month name
	YYYY	= year
	HH	= hour, 00 to 23
	MM	= minute, 00 to 59
	SS	= second, 00 to 59

A sample string is

"11 NOV 1918 11:00:00"

The month names are JAN, FEB, MAR, APR, MAY, JUN, JUL, AUG, SEP, OCT, NOV, DEC. Since the terminal null counts as a character, the string length is 21, not 20.

Ada provides an example of a binary encoding of clock/calendar information. As specified in package CALENDAR (**Ref 2**), the runtime support system for Ada must be able to supply the date and time as

```
subtype   YEAR_NUMBER     is INTEGER    range 1901 .. 2099
subtype   MONTH_NUMBER    is INTEGER    range 1 .. 12;
subtype   DAY_NUMBER      is INTEGER    range 1 .. 31;
subtype   DAY_DURATION    is DURATION   range 0.0 .. 86_400.0;
type      TIME            is private;

function CLOCK return TIME;

procedure SPLIT ( DATE:     in   TIME;
                  YEAR:     out  YEAR_NUMBER;
                  MONTH:    out  MONTH_NUMBER;
                  DAY:      out  DAY_NUMBER;
                  SECONDS:  out  DAY_DURATION);
```

Function *CLOCK* returns a snapshot of the internal time in a format that is hidden from the task ("private"). That internal time can then be partitioned into its binary components with procedure *SPLIT*.

Set clock/calendar

The OS must have a source from which it can initialize or derive its TOD values. If the system has support hardware, such as a battery-backed clock/calendar chip, the OS can obtain TOD information without any task-level help. Commonly, however, the TOD is set by task request. When the TOD is encoded as a string, a typical request could be

```
char todstg[21] = "4 JUL 1776 12:00:00";
settod (todstg);
```

The argument of *settod* is the address of a null-terminated string of the form just shown. If the format of the string is not valid (for example, if the month name does not exactly match one of the 3-character abbreviations), the function fails and *settod* returns a value of **BADPRM**. A successful invocation returns a value of **NOERR**.

Once set, the string is automatically advanced each second. It is assumed that the *settod* is issued at the beginning of the given second. The TOD string may be set and reset at will by any task. This has no effect upon outstanding pauses, timed restarts, and other interval-based time processing. (Such processing involves the millisecond counter, not the TOD string.)

Get (read) clock/calendar

The current clock/calendar string may be read by issuing

```
gettod (todbfr);
```

The entire string (including the terminal null) is copied into the read-write buffer whose address is given by the argument. The string is guaranteed to be consistent; the clock/calendar is not permitted to change during the copy.

The following C task outputs the clock/calendar every minute.

```
cctask ()
  {
     char ccstg[21];                    /*clock/calendar string*/

     while (pause (MIN + 1) == 0) /*pause 1 minute*/
       {
          gettod (ccstg);               /*get time*/
          printf ("\n\r%s",ccstg);      /*output to console*/
       }
  }
```

Synchronization with TOD

Certain tasks—typically those that produce periodic reports and summaries—must be synchronized with the clock portion of the TOD clock/calendar string. MTOS-UX has a straightforward mechanism to perform this type of synchronization. For example, to pause until exactly 10:30, submit the request

```
syntod ("103000");
```

The argument must be the address of a null-terminated string of the form "HHMMSS". HH may be either a numeric value in the range '00' to '23' or '??' (match any). MM or SS may be '00' to '59' or '??'.

After invoking the service, the task is blocked until the given time string matches the TOD clock/calendar. This is a simple pattern match. Thus, if a wait for "103000" is issued at "103001", the task will wait until the next day. The string "??1500" waits for 15 minutes after the hour, while the string "????00" waits for the beginning of the next minute. The function returns a **NOERR** upon a successful call.

The function *syntod* is often invoked at the beginning of the repeated section of a periodic task, as *pause* was used at the end of the cycle in the sample task on pg 199.

```
reportsk ()
  {
  ...                              /*initialization section, if needed*/
  while (1)
    {
      syntod ("000000");           /*wait until midnight*/
      ...                          /*prepare daily summary*/
    }
  }
```

Get system time

The tally of the number of milliseconds since the system was started is a 6-byte field of the form

```
struct timer
  {
     short int   u2;  /*most significant 2 bytes of tally*/
     long int    l4;  /*least significant 4 bytes of tally*/
  }
```

It may be copied into a given user buffer via

```
struct timer msbuf;

getime (&msbuf);
```

The function returns with **NOERR** unless there is a problem writing into the buffer. For write errors, the return value is **BADPRM**. The 6-byte value is guaranteed to be consistent, even if a clock interrupt occurs while the copy is being made.

Time intervals may be computed by capturing the time before and after an event and then subtracting. If the interval is less than approximately 1200 hours

(50 days), the number of milliseconds fits into an unsigned 32-bit integer.

```
struct timer          before,after;
unsigned long int     interval;
short int             test;
getime (&before);
  ...
getime (&after);
test = after.u2 - before.u2;
if (test == 0)
  interval = after.14 - before.14;
else if (test == 1)
  interval = 65536 + after.14 - before.14;
else ...              /*overflow*/
```

To sum up, the *pause* statement instructs the OS to block the requesting task for a specified interval of time (or "forever"). This permits a task to adjust its pace to the external physical world. During the pause the processor is available for work by other tasks.

A paused task can be restarted upon the request of another task. This provides a private means of coordination, targeted to a specific task and hidden from all other tasks. Since the pause cannot extend beyond the original pause interval, the target task can impose a limit on its wait for coordination.

The OS accepts a time of day clock/calendar string from any task and thereafter updates it every second. The current value of that ASCII string may be retrieved at any time. A task may also request to be blocked until it matches a given time-of-day pattern, with "match any" as a possibility for the hour, minute, or second fields.

Part 7 of this series will discuss task coordination via event flags. EDN

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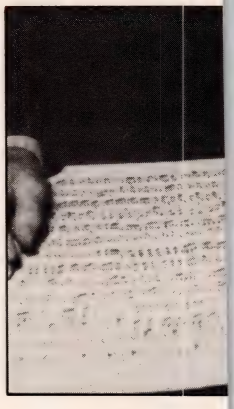

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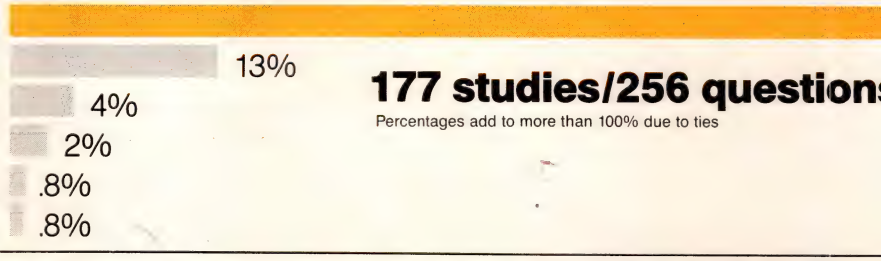

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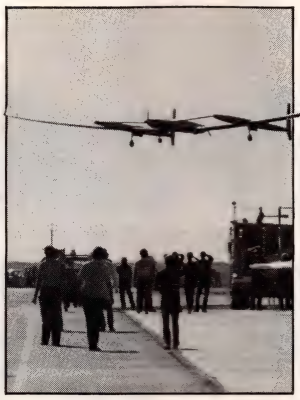

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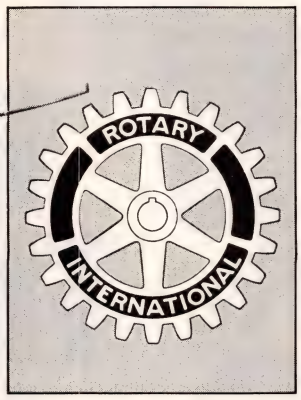

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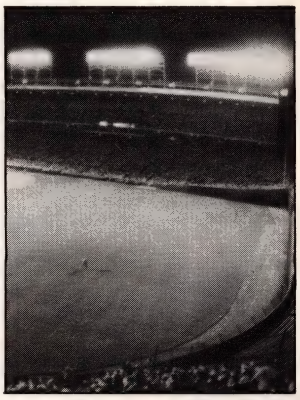

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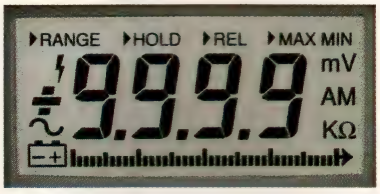

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- *Has a power-down mode*
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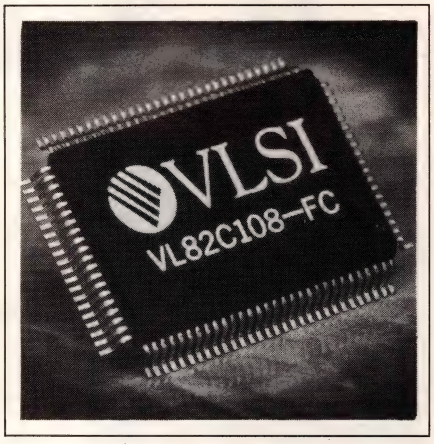
IBM PC/AT Combination Chip

- *Replaces several peripheral ICs*
- *Part of company's TopCat series*

The VL82C108 TopCat Combo I/O chip replaces several commonly used ICs in IBM PC/AT-compatible computers. Included are the VL16C450 UART, a direct-drive parallel port, and the keyboard/mouse controller. The CMOS I/O chip contains the same functions as the VL82C106 Combo I/O chip except for the real-time clock, the scratchpad RAM, and the second UART. The VL82C108 device's on-chip UART is software compatible with the VL16C450 universal asynchronous communications element. The bidirectional parallel port provides a PS/2 software-compatible interface between the device and a Centronics-type printer. An optional bidirectional feature is soft-



ware programmable for backwards PC/AT compatibility. The keyboard/mouse controller is selectable as PC/AT- or PS/2-compatible. An on-chip oscillator which uses an external 18-MHz crystal, provides a keyboard CPU clock and UART baud-rate generation. The VL82C108 comes in a 100-lead quad flatpack. $20 (1000).

VLSI Technology, 8375 South River Pkwy, Tempe, AZ 85284. Phone (602) 752-8574. FAX (602) 752-6000. **Circle No. 687**

Ethernet 10Base-T Media-Access Unit

- *Provides automatic switching*
- *Eliminates need for mechanical switch*

The LXT902 Ethernet 10Base-T media-access unit (MAU) provides automatic switching between twisted-pair LAN wires and attachment-unit interface cables. The device is 100% compliant with IEEE-802.3 draft 10 standards and is suitable for either internal LAN linecard or external MAU applications. The device's internal 10Base-T MAU mode allows capacitor coupling between the transceiver and the serial-interface adapter. Other functions include level-shifted data passthrough from one transmission medium to another; collision detection; signal-quality error testing; and automatic detection/correction of polarity reversal on the twisted-pair input. The device provides six status indicators and six LED drivers. LXT902NC, in a 28-pin plastic DIP, $14.97 (1000).

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Video RAMDAC

- *Suits windowing systems*
- *Has 110- to 170-MHz speed*

The Bt463 RAMDAC combines true-color and pseudocolor graphics with hardware windowing functions. The windowing scheme supports arbitrary plane depths on a pixel-by-pixel basis. In addition, the size of each individual color map is variable from 16 to 512 addresses to match the needs of the application program. To identify the individual characteristics for each window, a window-type word accompanies each set of pixel and overlay data. The 4-bit word addresses an on-chip 16 × 24-bit RAM, which provides control to convert pixels from a virtual color-map index to a physical color-map index prior to sending it to the look-up table. The RAMDAC comes in a 169-pin pin-grid array and is available in speed

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Brooktree Corp, 9950 Barnes Canyon Rd, San Diego, CA 92121. Phone (619) 452-7580. FAX (619) 452-1249. TLX 383596.

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Color Look-Up Table

- *Provides 256 colors*
- *Handles pixel rates to 50 MHz*

The SYC176 look-up table integrates the functions of a 256 × 18-bit color look-up table, three 6-bit video DACs, and an asynchronous, bidirectional μP interface. The look-up table can display 256 colors simultaneously from a palette of 262,144 colors. The on-chip pixel word mask allows the changing of displayed colors in a single write cycle rather than by modifying the color look-up table. Available pixel rates range from 40 to 50 MHz. The device, which has TTL-compatible inputs and outputs, can directly drive singly or doubly terminated 75Ω transmission lines. In a 28-pin, 600-mil DIP, $4; in a 44-pin plastic leaded chip carrier, $4.50 (1000).

Syvantek Microelectronics Corp, 1475 Saratoga Ave, Suite 150, San Jose, CA 95129. Phone (408) 252-7988. FAX (408) 252-7996.

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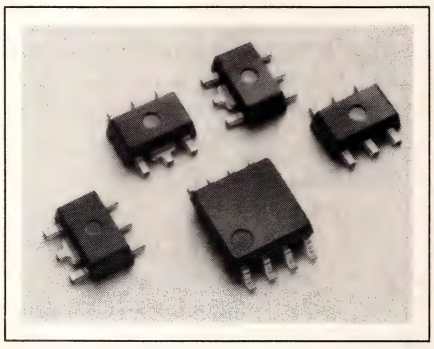

Voltage Regulators

- *Include built-in detector*
- *Current drain is only 3.5 μA*

Combining the functions of voltage regulation and detection in one chip, the S-870 and S-88 series can provide extended battery life for portable equipment. The S-870 devices include voltage regulation, voltage detection, and delay circuitry. In addition to these functions, the S-88 devices include short-circuit protection and a power-off circuit. Both series feature a maximum current drain of only 3.5 μA, an operating voltage range of 1 to 15V, and an input-to-output voltage difference of only 0.15V. The output voltage is fixed internally, and detection is set to each output voltage. For an output of 3V ±4%, five models in each series detect specific voltage ranges from 2.050 to 2.653V. For an output of 5V ±4%, five models detect voltage ranges from 3.60 to 4.62V. The

S-870 series comes in a 5-pin SO package, and the S-88 series is available in an 8-pin SO package. S-870, $1.40; S-88, $1.84 (5000).

Seiko Instruments USA Inc, Semiconductor Products Group, 1150 Ringwood Ct, San Jose, CA 95131. Phone (408) 433-3208. FAX (408) 433-3201. **Circle No. 691**

High-Density Static RAMs

- *2M- and 4M-byte versions*
- *Have 45- to 100-nsec speeds*

A pair of CMOS static RAM modules feature densities of 256k×8 bits and 512k×8 bits. Ranging in speed from 45 to 100 nsec, these parts are available in both commercial (0 to 70°C) and military (−55 to +125°C) grades. The operating current of the 4M-byte device is 140 mA max, and standby current is 5 mA max. Included in the devices are an address decoder and internal power-supply bypass capacitors. The static-RAM modules come in 32-pin, 600-mil plastic or sidebrazed ceramic DIPs. The 100-nsec, commercial grade 512k×8-bit device in a plastic DIP, $395; the 55-nsec, military grade in a ceramic DIP, $1475 (100).

Elmo Semiconductor Corp, 7590 N Glenoaks Blvd, Burbank, CA 91504. Phone (818) 768-7400. TLX 698181. **Circle No. 692**

Wide-Bandwidth AGC Amplifier

- *Signal-channel bandwidth is 160 MHz*
- *Gain-control bandwidth is 100 MHz*

The CLC520 dc-coupled amplifier features wide bandwidths and automatic gain control (AGC). The amplifier has a differential signal-channel input, a gain-control input, and a single-ended output. The signal channel features a −3-dB bandwidth of 160 MHz, a linear phase deviation of 0.5° to 60 MHz, and 0.04% signal nonlinearity at 4V p-p output. You can set the gain-control channel, which has a bandwidth of 100 MHz, for gains from 2 to 100 with an external resistor. The gain-control input provides more than 40 dB of voltage-controlled gain adjustment from the maximum gain setting. For example, you can set the amplifier for a maximum gain of 100 (40 dB) for a gain range from 40 dB to <0 dB. Other specifications include a slew rate of 2000V/μsec and −43 dB of feedthrough at 30 MHz. The CLC520 is available in 14-pin plastic and ceramic DIPs. From $9.26 (1000).

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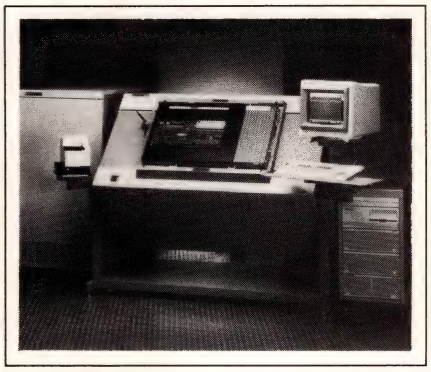

In-Circuit Tester For Circuit Boards

- *Upgrades to add functional test capability*
- *Runs software for IEEE-1149.1 boundary-scan testing*

The HP 3073 in-circuit board-test system allows manufacturers to purchase an in-circuit tester initially and, while preserving an initial investment in tester hardware, to upgrade to functional or combinational (in-circuit and functional) testing later. The vendor believes that the addition of this product to its line creates the only tester family that includes both in-circuit and functional-test systems. The system also supports boundary-scan testing on boards designed according to the IEEE-1149.1 standard. A boundary-scan description language facilitates the design of tests for such boards. $205,000.

Hewlett-Packard Co, 19310 Pruneridge Ave, Cupertino, CA 95014. Phone (800) 752-0900.

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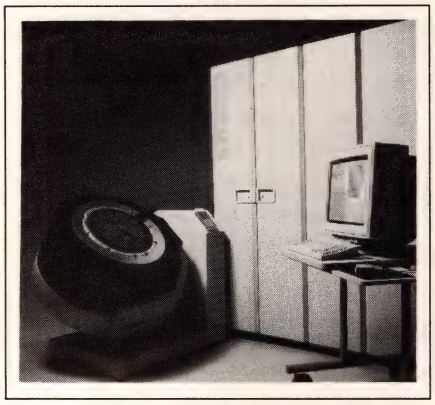

Automatic Test System For VLSI ICs

- *Expands to 512 pins*
- *Produces patterns at 400M bps/pin*

The 512-pin-max J971 VLSI-device test system has a top clock rate of 200 MHz, but can operate at 400M bps/pin—because each clock period can contain multiple signal transitions on each pin. To boost performance without using the large power supplies or liquid cooling of competitive systems, the vendor has replaced 90% of the ECL timing and data-formatting circuits with CMOS, using ECL only where CMOS can-

not provide the needed speed. Despite the limited use of ECL, minimum pulse width is 2.5 nsec, and edge-placement accuracy is ±250 psec. The system is modular in several ways. Not only do you buy pins in groups, but there are plug-in performance upgrades. $600,000 to $4,000,000.

Teradyne Inc, 30801 Agoura Rd, Agoura Hills, CA 91301. Phone (818) 991-2900. FAX (818) 707-2805.
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- *Tests discrete devices, ICs, hybrid modules, and boards*
- *Handles linear, digital, and mixed-signal units*

The SZ-M3600 test unit tests linear, digital, and mixed-signal devices, modules, and pc boards. It can perform digital testing to 50 MHz on units having as many as 256 pins. You can rapidly adapt its switching matrix, DSP capability, and load boards to specific parts. The product is designed for moderate-volume work such as incoming inspection and hybrid-module testing. Because the system is an upgrade of the vendor's smaller, benchtop testers, it can run programs originally developed for those units. The product also accepts card-level instruments to tailor it for specific uses. From $175,000. Delivery, 10 to 12 weeks ARO.

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Circle No. 804

80386-Based Data-Acquisition Software

- *Can use as much RAM as your computer holds*
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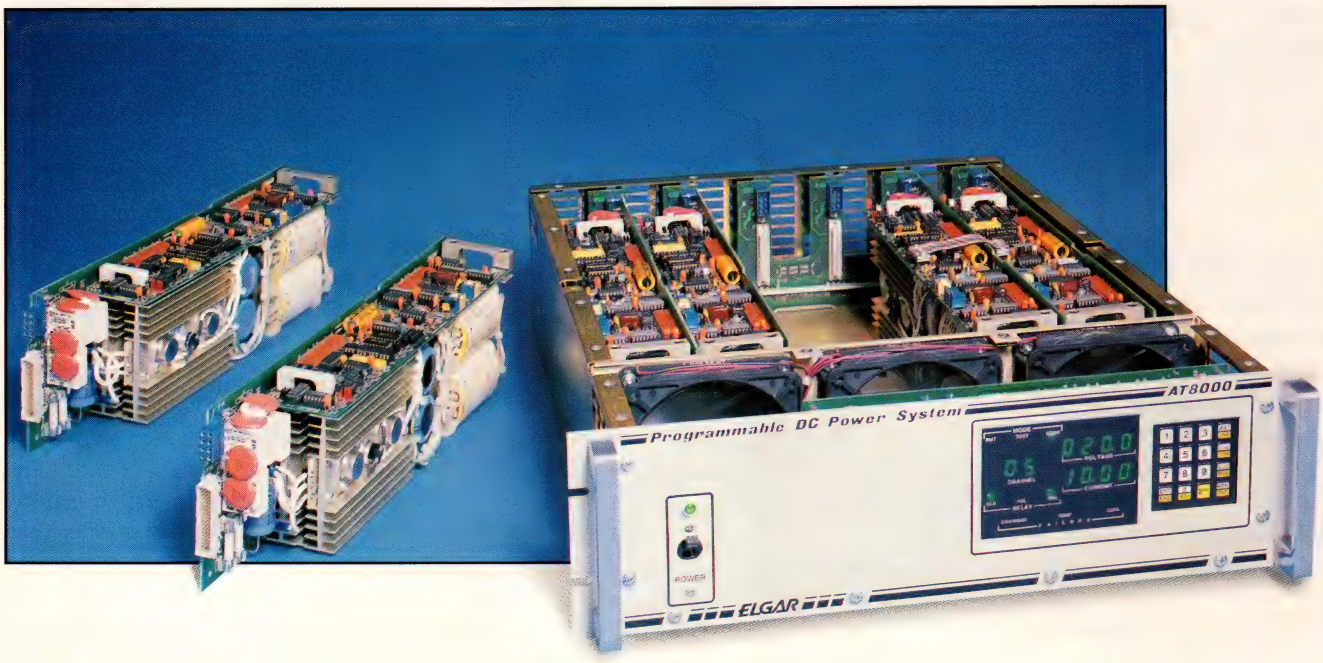

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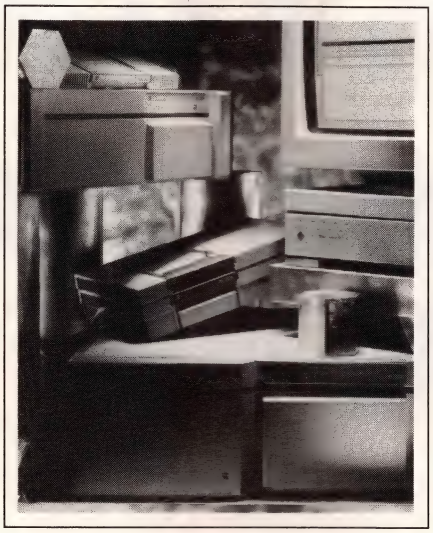

Sun-4-Hosted 680X0 Development Tools

- *Support 68020 and 68030 at 33 MHz with no wait states*
- *Connects to Ethernet using TCP/IP*

You can use a Sun-4 workstation as the host for a suite of hardware and software development tools for the 68020 and 68030. The tools include the vendor's EL 3200 and ES 1800 in-circuit emulators and software tool sets named Validate/XEL and Validate/Unison. The EL 3200 supports both of the μPs clocked at 33 MHz with no wait states. It connects to the host via Ethernet using Transfer Control Protocol/Internet Protocol. Validate/XEL provides an ANSI C compiler, an assembler, a disassembler, source- and assembly-language debugging, instruction-set simulation, trace, and a history of commands and aliases. Validate/Unison includes several cross-development tools. EL 3200, from $30,000; ES 1800, from $12,500; Validate/XEL, $10,300; Validate/Unison, $7050.

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Data I/O Corp, Box 97046, Redmond, WA 98073. Phone (206) 881-6444. FAX (206) 882-1043.

Circle No. 807

68030 ICEs

- *Three units support 16, 25, and 33-MHz-max clock speeds*
- *Permit emulation RAM expansion to 4M bytes*

The HMI-200 series of in-circuit emulators includes three units that support the 68030 μP. The units perform identical functions, but one lets the μP operate to 16 MHz, another allows 25-MHz operation, and the third permits operation at 33 MHz. All units support real-time emulation with four complex break and trigger points, and all have a pair of 4k × 104-bit trace buffers that can record 16 external inputs and a 32-bit time tag. Each unit's standard emulation memory is 256k bytes, but you can expand the memory to 1M, 2M, or 4M bytes. The vendor also supplies the Sourcegate high-level-language debugger. It works on code compiled from C, Pascal, Ada, and PL/M. It lets you display the source, assembly language and source, or assembly language only. 16-MHz unit, $13,000; 25-MHz unit, $18,000; 33-MHz unit, $21,000; debugger for IBM PC, $1500; software support for Sun and Apollo workstations, $3000.

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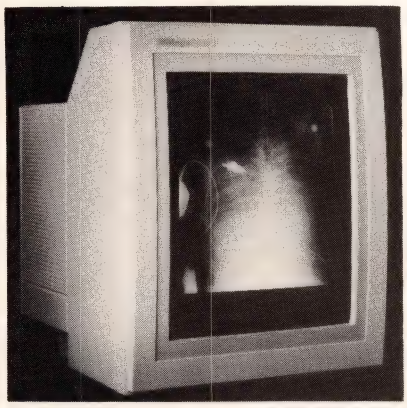

High-Resolution Monitors

- *Produce both portrait and landscape images*
- *Provide 2048 × 2560- and 2560 × 2048-pixel resolution*

The UHR-4820-P and UHR-4820-L high-resolution gray-scale monitors produce both portrait and landscape images. These monitors provide 2048 × 2560- and 2560 × 2048-pixel resolution, respectively. The video bandwidth of 500 MHz permits 2000- and 2500-line images to be refreshed 72 times/sec when operating noninterlaced. Improved light-output guns and enhanced CRT yokes produce a brightness of 60 fL at full gray-scale output and 0.25 fL at zero output, resulting in a brightness dynamic range of 240. Both displays use a 21-in. flat screen and feature a blue phosphor for film-like images. The FDP-2111 controller features a high-speed bus for transferring images between a video buffer and a frame buffer. The controller is available for PC/AT, Micro Channel Architecture, VME, and Macintosh computers. UHR-4820-L, $5400; UHR-4820-P, $5900; systems with monitor, controller, and software, from $19,000 (OEM qty). Delivery, 60 days ARO.

MegaScan Technology Inc, 42 South St, Hopkinton, MA 01748. Phone (508) 435-2600. FAX (508) 435-9166. **Circle No. 810**

Ethernet Controller Board

- *Uses Am7990 Lance chip for the VMEbus*
- *FTP/Telnet protocol allows testing without host computer*

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Graphics-Controller Board

- *Uses TI's TMS34020 graphics controller for the VMEbus*
- *Draws at 200,000 vectors/sec and can deliver 40M flops*

The UDC-6000-TI upgrade to the company's Piranha family of graphics-controller boards utilizes TI's TMS34020 graphics-controller chip; it has an option for the TMS34082 floating-point unit. The 6U VME-bus board can provide 40M flops and a vector drawing speed of 200,000 vectors/sec. It can display images as large as 1600×1200 pixels×8 bits from a display memory of 2048×2048×8 bits. It can also display 1280×1024 pixels×32 bits. This feature allows its use in applications requiring 24-bit color and 8-bit graphics overlays. Motorola's 20-MHz VSB (VME subsystem bus) allows image data to be transferred on and off the board. The board can pan and zoom stored images from 1 to 16 times, using hardware without host intervention. Software for the board includes TI Graphic Architecture and X-Windows. A serial port permits the use of a mouse when using Windows. $4895.

Univision Technologies Inc, 3 Burlington Woods, Burlington, MA 01803. Phone (617) 221-6700. FAX (617) 221-6777. TLX 988755.

Circle No. 812

Single-Board PC/AT

- *Uses a 20-MHz 80C286 μP on a half-card format*
- *Consumes 3.5W*

The TEK-AT1 single-board IBM PC/AT computer uses an 80C286 μP that runs as fast as 20 MHz and provides 512k, 1M, 2M, or 4M bytes of RAM. The board has sockets for as much as 1M bytes of EPROM or flash EPROM for user programs. In addition, the board has space for

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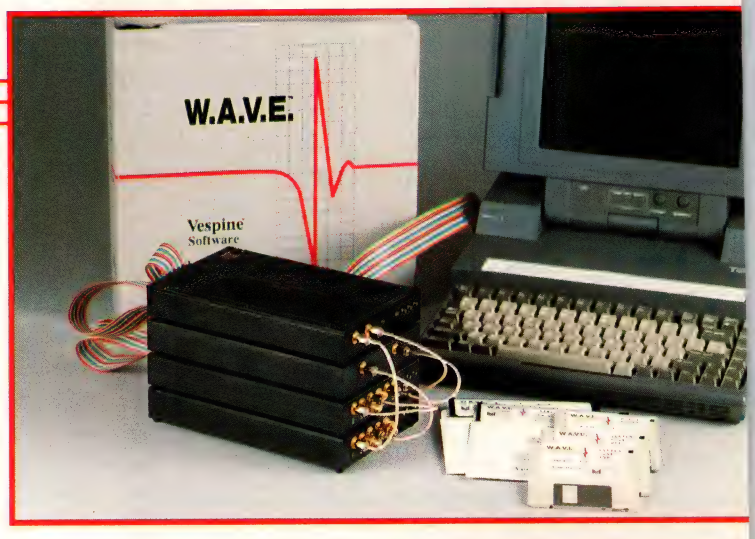
The SMP Development Station allows you to implement customized processors with software commands.



For years, development stations for digital systems have been used to evaluate designs before custom hardware is produced. Now the modular SMP Development Station brings that development efficiency to RF and video systems.

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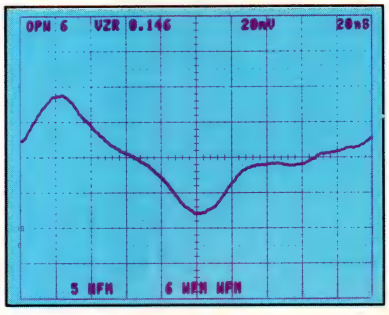
The first SMP Development Station module is a 128-tap programmable transversal filter (PTF) which is useful for signal generation, extraction, modification and characterization. It has been used to verify the design of an LPI radar system, built-in network analyzers, multipath equalizers, pulse-shaping equalizers, magnetic read-head equalizers, programmable bandpass filters, smart scope triggers, anti-aliasing filters, synthesizers, waveform generators, spread-spectrum matched filters, interference cancellers, target simulators, and pattern matchers for signals and images.

Users can expect to have the SMP Development Station up and running in less than 1 hour.



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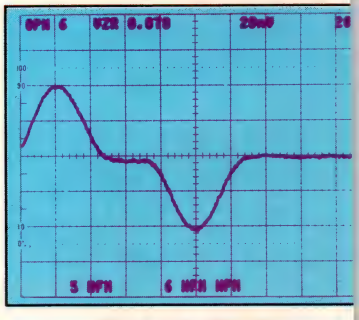

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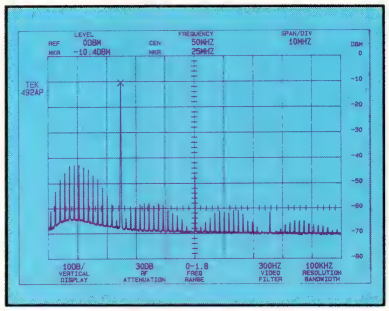

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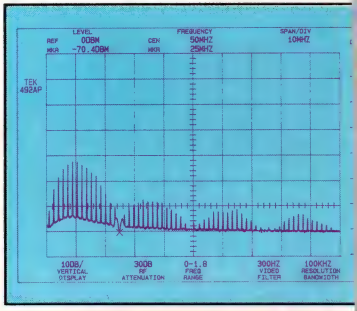

Post-cancellation

Interference cancellation

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as much as 512k bytes of RAM disk with battery backup. Other features include a watchdog timer, two RS-232C ports, a real-time clock with battery backup, a parallel-printer port, and a power-failure detector. A floppy-disk controller controls as many as two 3½- or 5¼-in. disk drives with capacities of 1.44M bytes. The board operates from 0 to 70°C, or from −40 to +85°C on an extended-temperature version. You can install the board in a passive backplane or use it as a stand-alone controller. $875.

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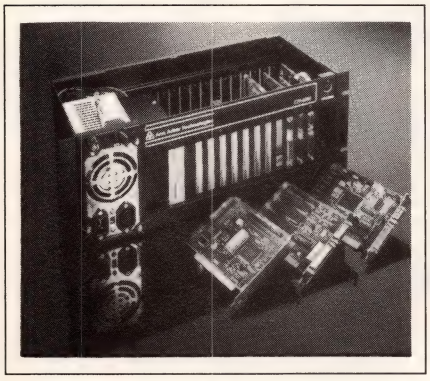

Industrial PC/AT

- *Comes in a 7×7.5×19-in. RETMA rack*
- *Uses a 16-MHz 80C286 CMOS CPU and 2M bytes of RAM*

The MiniDAC SY4286, a half-card IBM PC/AT industrial computer, comes in a 7×7.5×19-in. RETMA rack or panel-mountable enclosure. The system features a 16-MHz CMOS 80C286 CPU; 2M bytes of RAM; an EGA graphics adapter; a 12-slot, 16-bit ISA passive backplane with eight user slots; and a 200W power supply. Other features include a shock-mounted 48M-byte 3½-in. hard-disk drive, a 1.44M-byte 3½-in. floppy-disk drive, a SCSI host-adapter card, and two RS-232C ports with a printer-interface card. Options include a math coprocessor socket and an optional full card 13.15-in. chassis. You only have to add a keyboard, a monitor, application-specific I/O modules, and software. $1995.

Ann Arbor Technologies Corp, Box 3083, Ann Arbor, MI 48106. Phone (313) 995-1360.

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PC Input Device

- *Consists of a glass tablet with 1000×1000 points*
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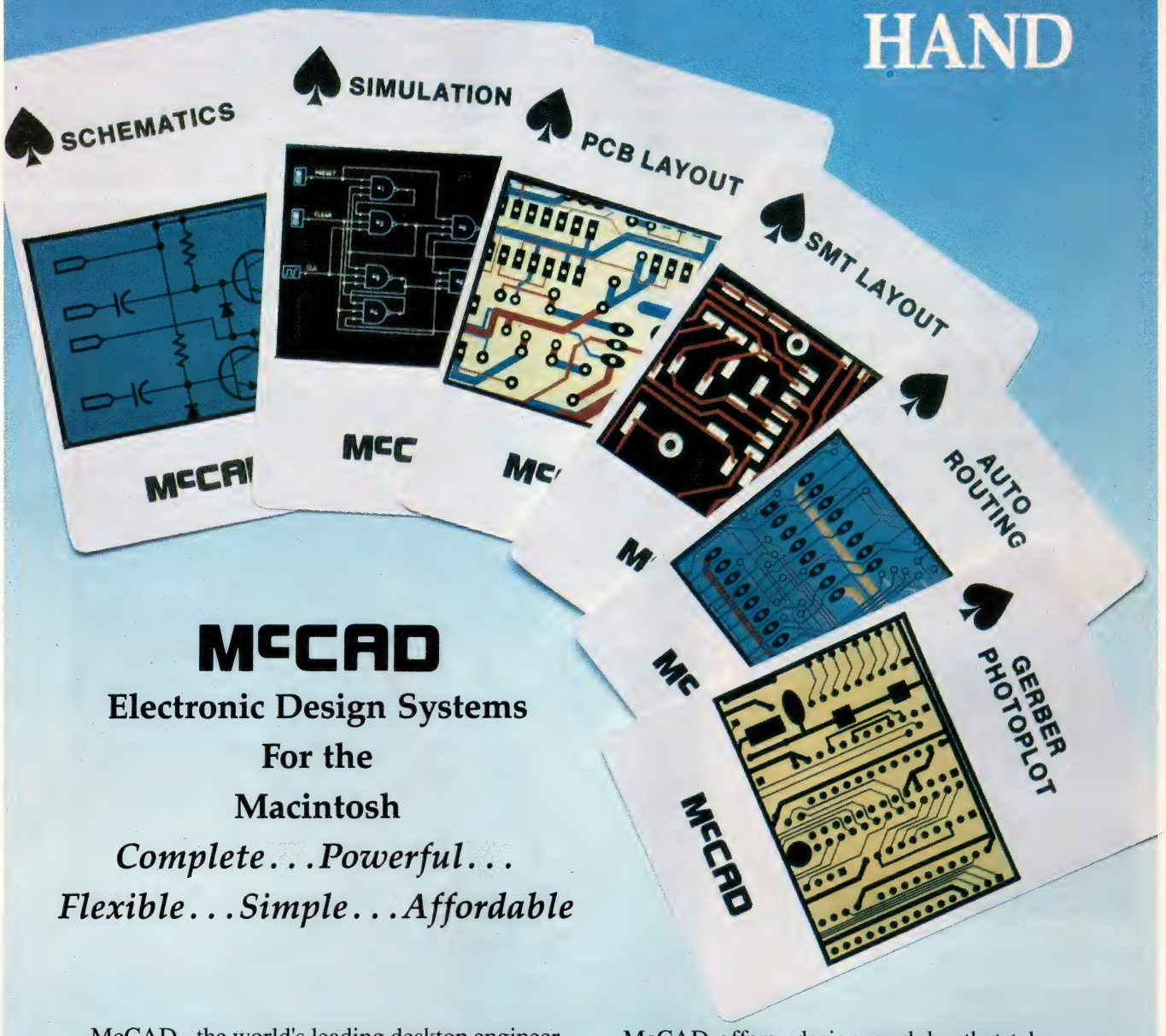

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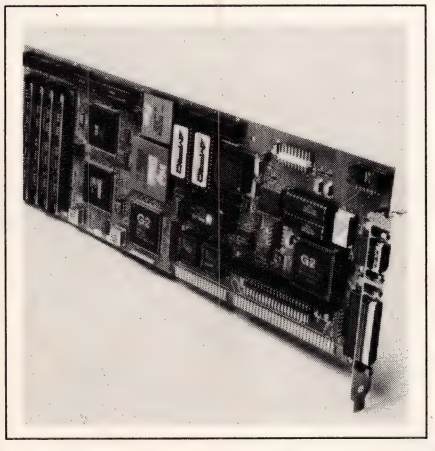
MicroTouch Systems Inc, 55 Jonspin Rd, Wilmington, MA 01887. Phone (800) 866-6873; in MA, (508) 694-9900. FAX (508) 694-9980. **Circle No. 815**



80386 Single-Board Computer

- *As much as 4M bytes of RAM on IBM PC/AT expansion board*
- *Has controllers for floppy- and hard-disk drive*

The Slot Board/386 is a single board computer on an IBM PC/AT expansion board. The board utilizes a 20-MHz 80386 μP and either 1M or 4M bytes of RAM. The board has a floppy- and a hard-disk controller as well as two serial ports, a parallel port, an 80387 socket, and two solid-state disk sockets. A shadow RAM provides fast execution of the BIOS and video display. The board runs on DOS, Unix, QNX, VRTX, OS-9000, and Flexos operating systems. You can expand the capabilities of the board by using the company's family of MiniModules, which attach directly to the board's IBM PC/AT bus-compatible header. The board consumes 10 to 12W typ and operates from 0 to 70°C. Board without RAM, $1170 (100).

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- *Supports multitasking under OS/2*
- *Provides interface to OS/2 layered device drivers*

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- *Work with Z80, 64180, and 6909 microcontrollers*
- *Support all ANSI/ISO C features*

You can obtain Whitesmiths optimizing C cross-compilers and the CXDB source-level debugger for Zilog Z80, Hitachi 64180, and Motorola 6809 microcontrollers. The compilers provide all features of the ANSI/ISO C standard, as well as the vendor's chip-specific language extensions for each chip. These extensions add many low-level assembly-language features to the C-language capabilities so you can maximize use of all the features of each chip in your application. The source-level cross-debugger features a multiwindow user interface; control of target program execution through breakpoints and step control; access to both local and global symbols; and simulated I/O. You can get the debugger in two versions: the simulator version lets you execute and debug target code on a host computer; the emulator version works with several in-circuit emulators on the target system. The compilers run on IBM PCs and

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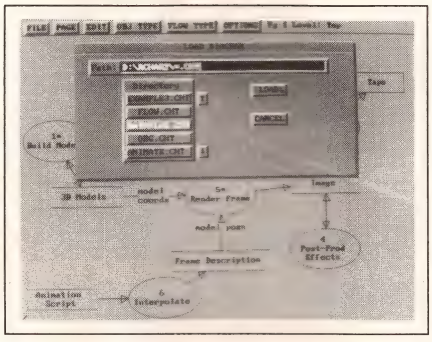
Intermetrics Inc, 733 Concord Ave, Cambridge, MA 02138. Phone (617) 661-1840. FAX (617) 868-2843. **Circle No. 739**

Interactive Diagramming Tool

- *Provides automatic level numbering*
- *Allows as many as 90 characters per label in any number of lines*

The Robochart mouse-driven diagramming tool for IBM PCs and compatibles lets you create data-flow diagrams, flow charts, state-transition diagrams, and other similar documents. The tool automatically performs level-numbering of different nesting levels, and automatically updates objects that are linked across levels to reflect any changes you make. The tool allows as many as 90 characters per label, and you can arrange these in any convenient number of lines. You can copy, cut, or paste both single objects and groups of objects. Pop-up menus and Alt-key shortcuts make the tool easy to learn to use.



It can generate laser-printer output at 300 dpi, or send the output to a variety of graphics dot-matrix printers and pen plotters. $96.

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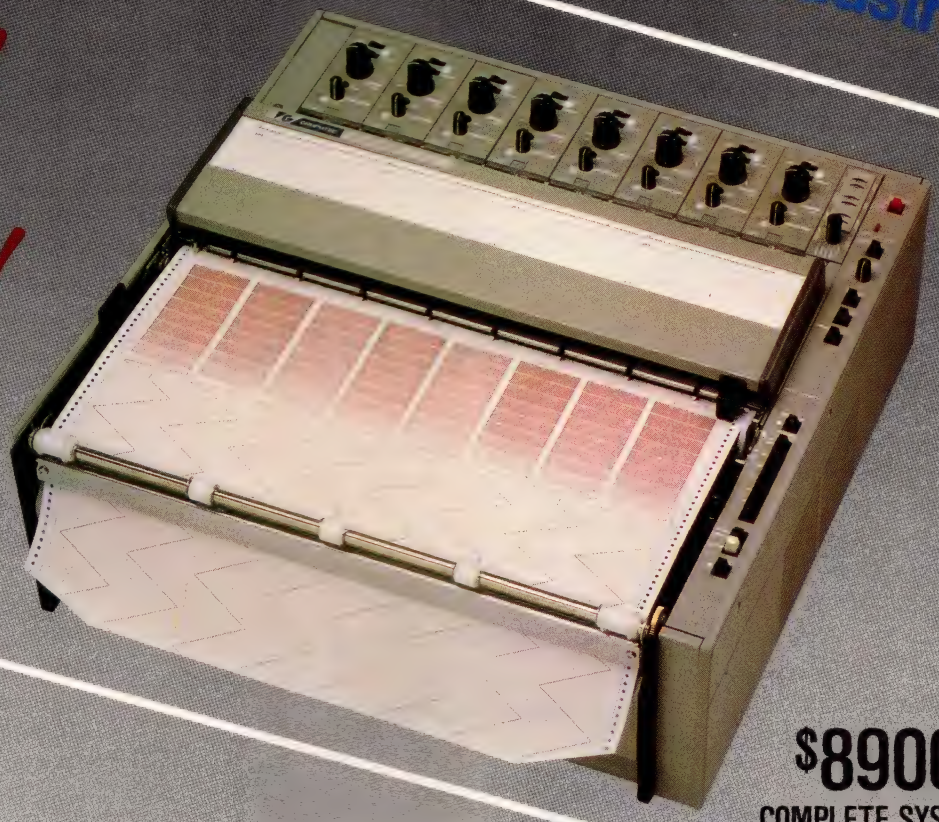

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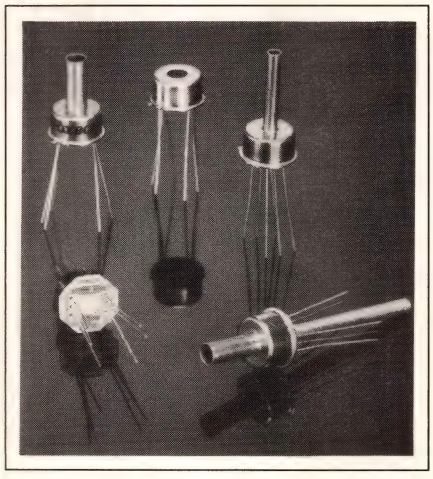

Pressure Transducer

- *Mounts on pc boards*
- *Available in gauge, absolute, and differential configurations*

The Model 1805 pressure transducer is housed in a pc-board mountable TO-8 can and is available in either voltage- or current-excitation versions. The device provides a 25-mV/psi output in 0 to 3 and 0 to 5 psi pressure ranges. The unit is available in gauge, absolute, and differential configurations in three best-fit-straight-line accuracy grades—±0.075, ±0.125, and ±0.25%. The transducer uses a standard 10V constant power supply and can be supplied in any of four temperature compensation versions—laser trimmed with standard output, laser-trimmed with normalized mV output, resistor trimmed, or uncompensated, from $22 (500). Units with ±0.25% accuracy.

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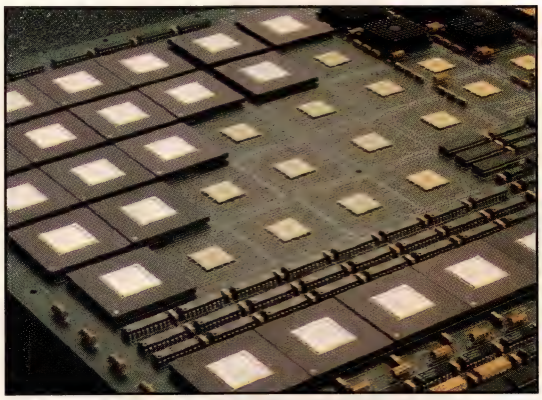

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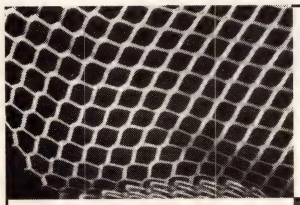

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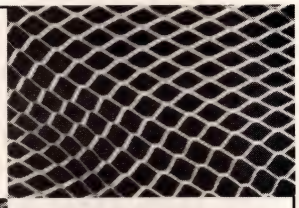

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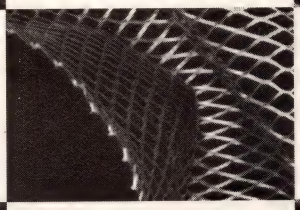

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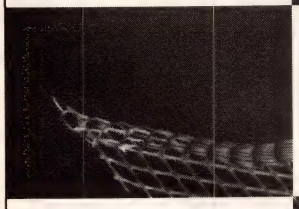

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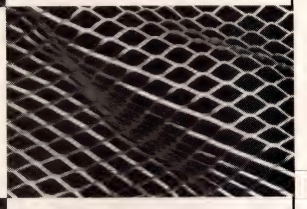

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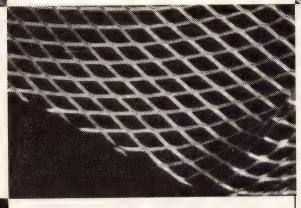

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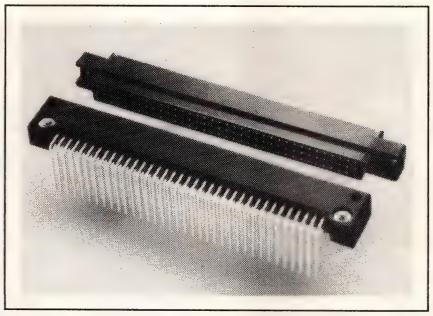

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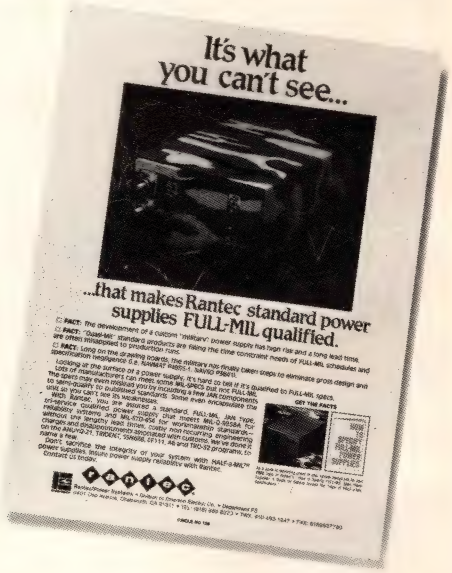

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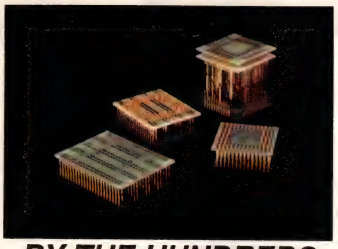

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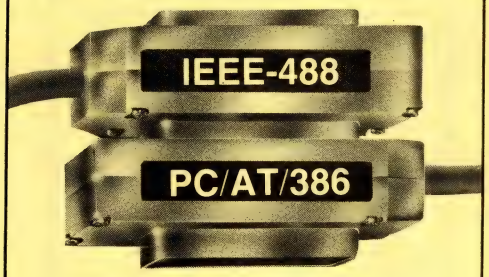

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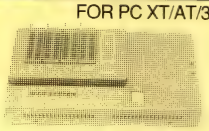

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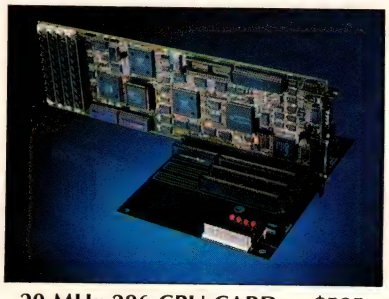

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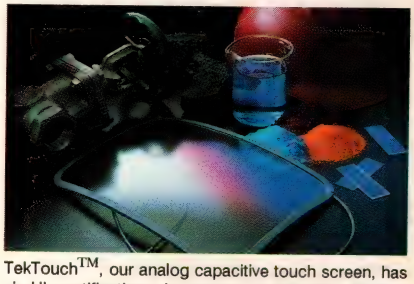

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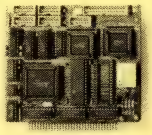

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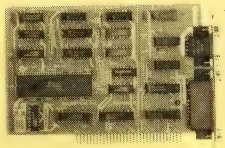

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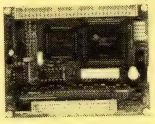

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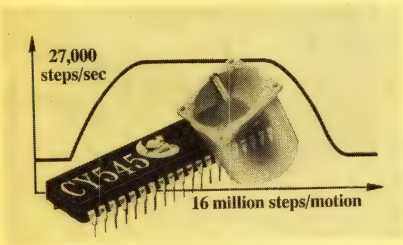

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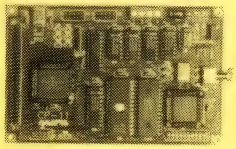

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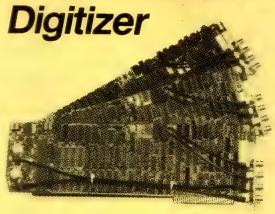

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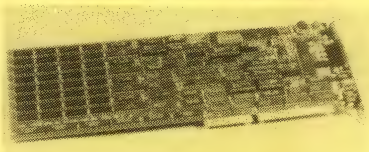

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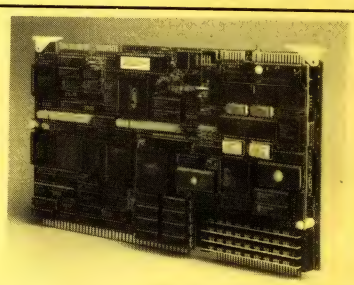

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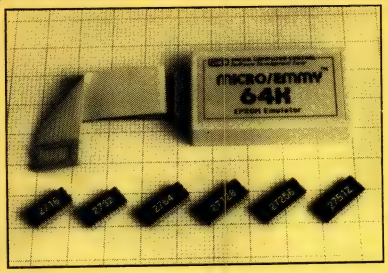

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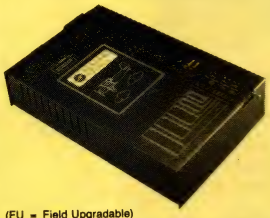

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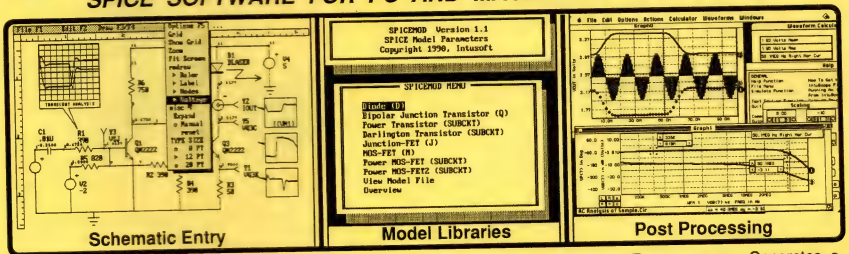

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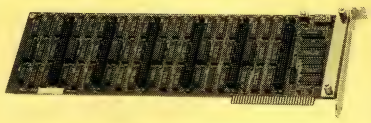

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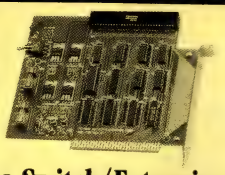

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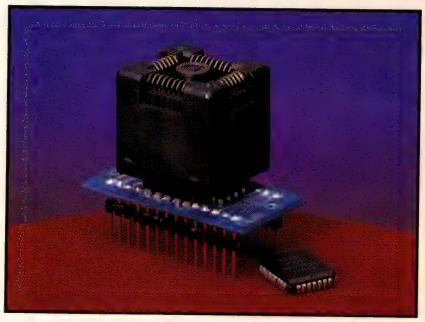

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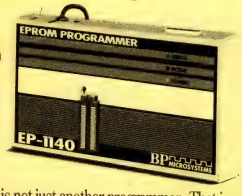

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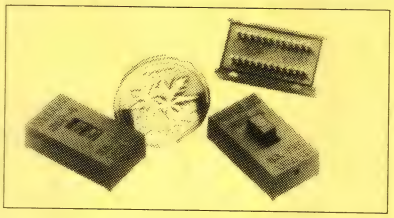

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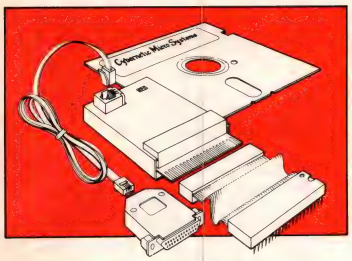

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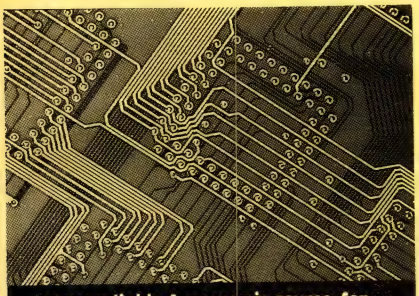

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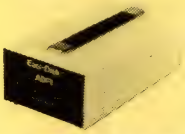

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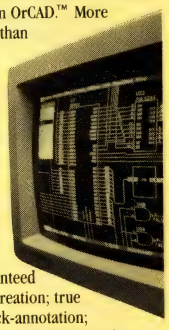

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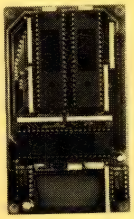

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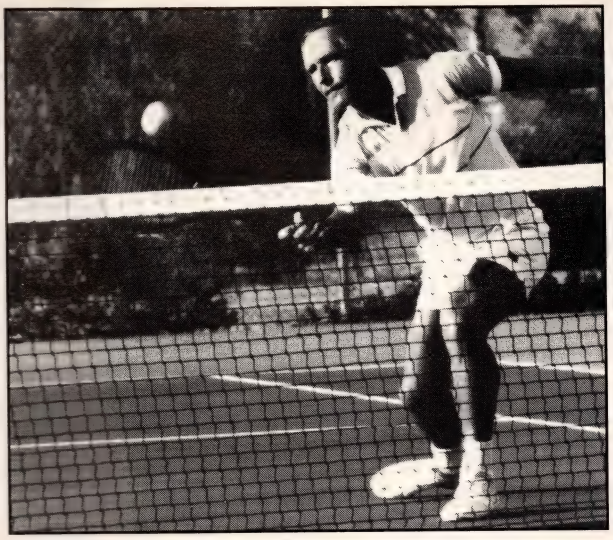

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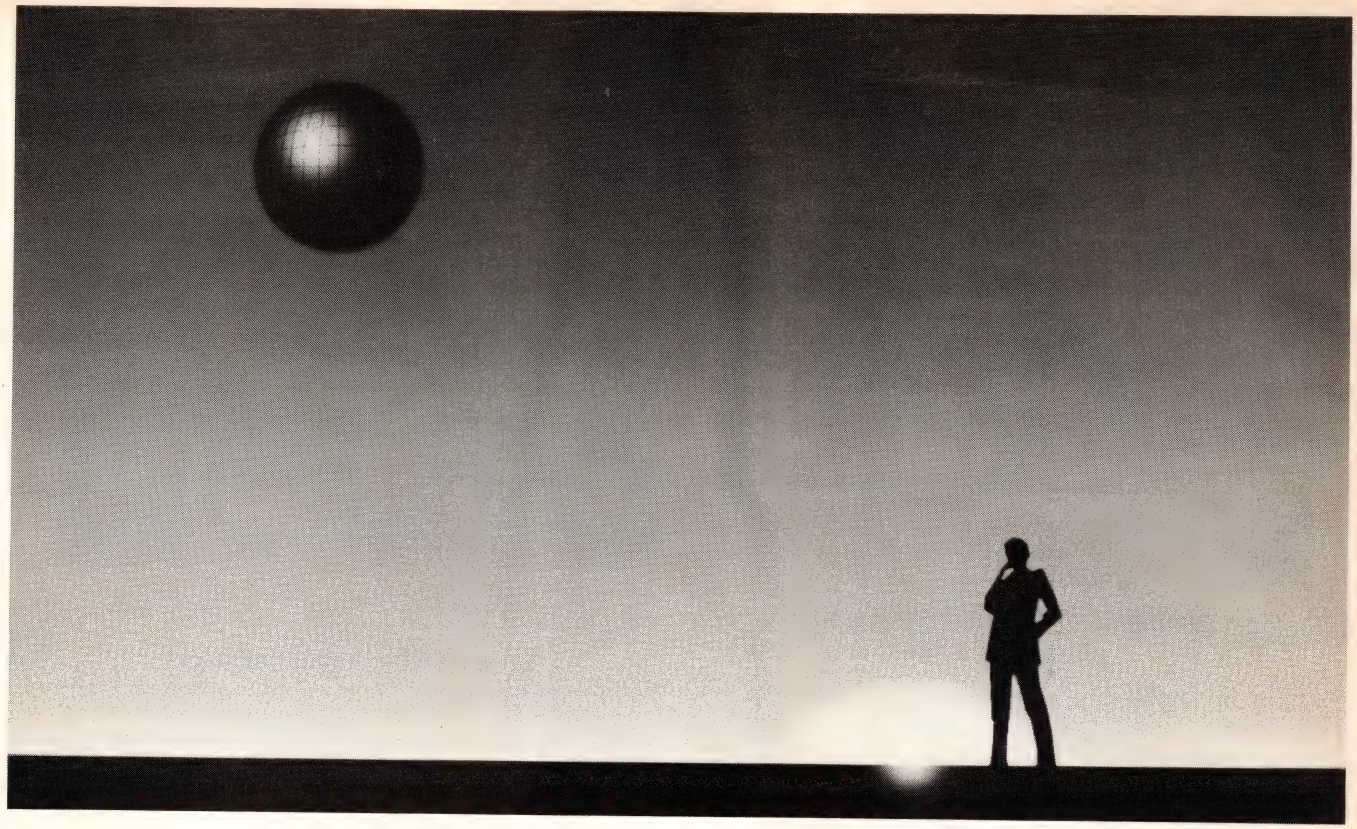

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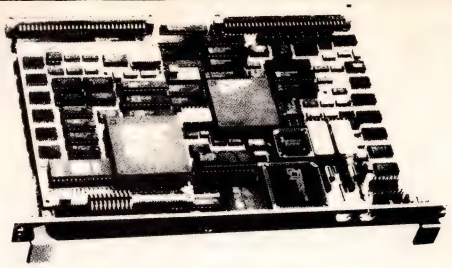

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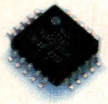

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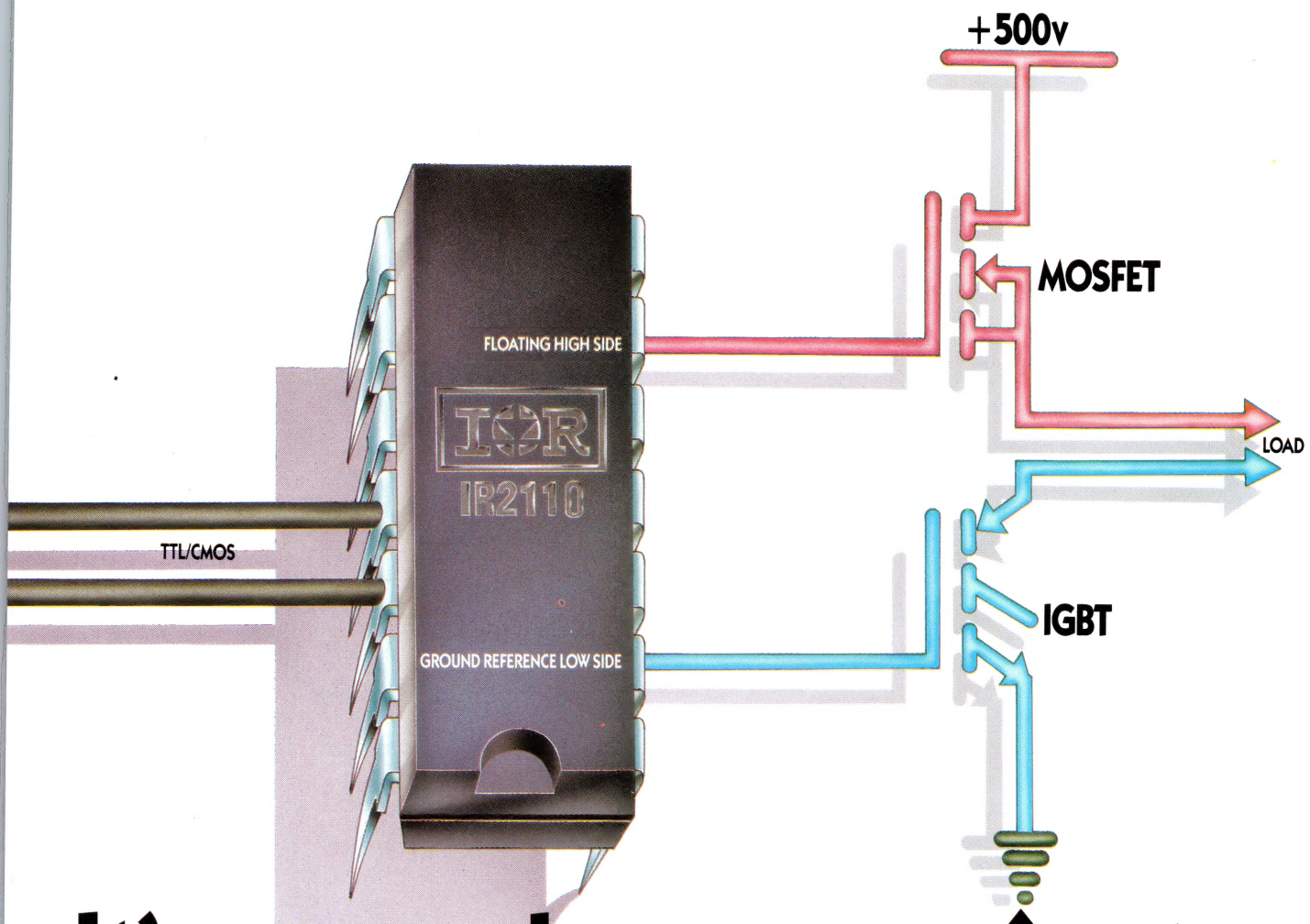

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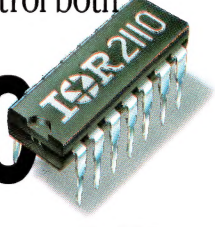

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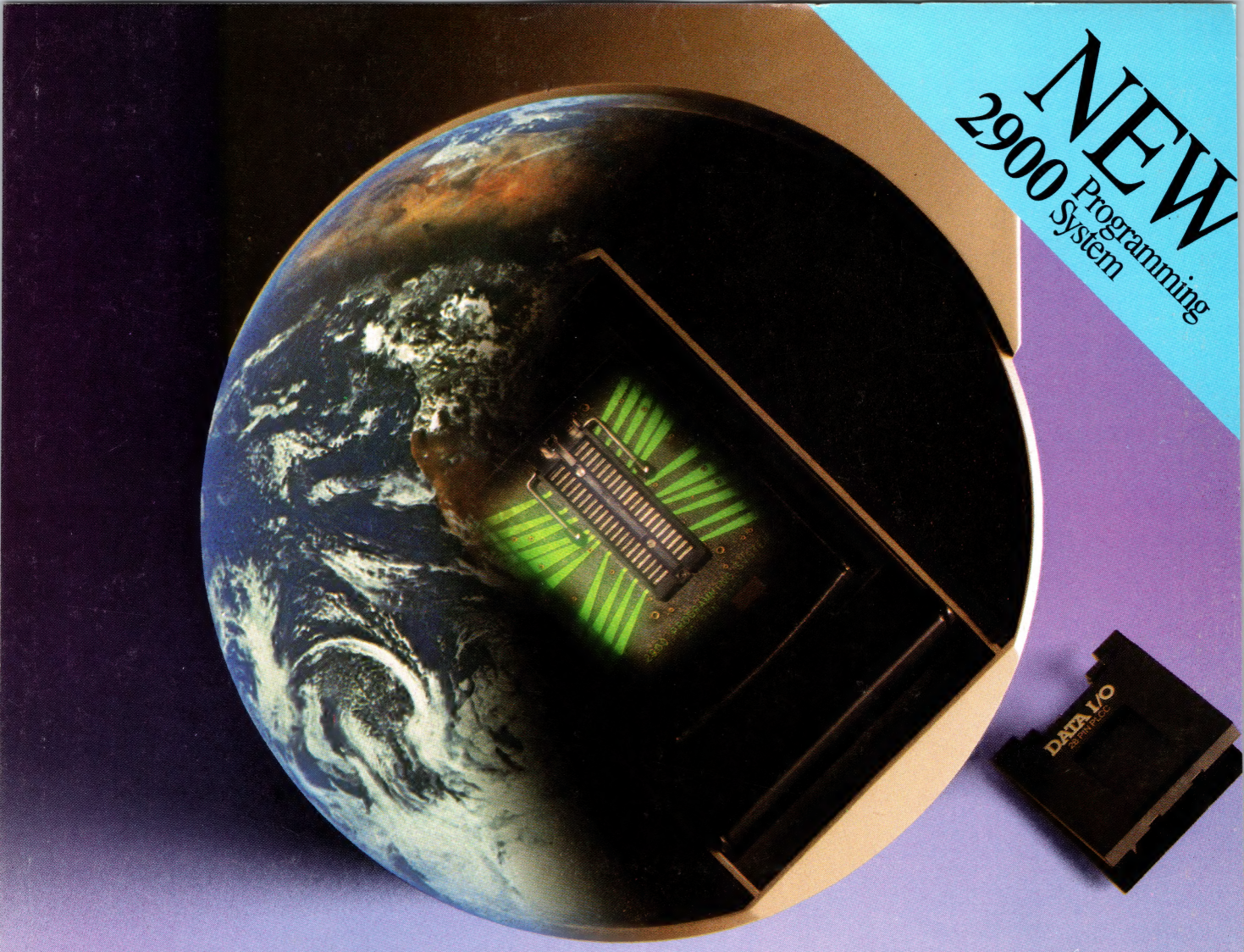

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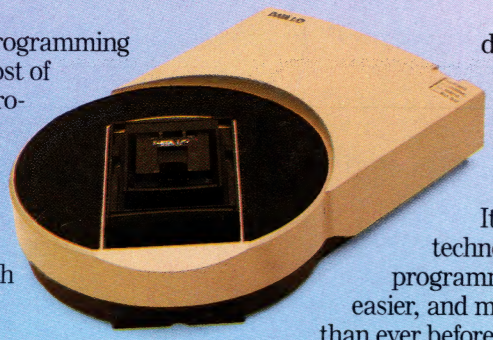

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